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Dear Nick

Request for Authority's consent to extend the Connection Offer Timelines for Connection Application for Curraghamulkin (Dooish) Wind Farm.

Thank you for your letter of 26 June, requesting consent from the Authority for SONI to defer the required 3 month timeline to issue a connection offer the Connection Application for Curraghamulkin (Dooish) Wind Farm.

The relevant section of the SONI licence is within Condition 25, Requirement to Offer Terms – Users and Connectees, paragraph 5 and 7. These clauses require a connection offer to be made not later than 3 months unless consent to a longer period has been approved by the Authority.

In your correspondence you indicated that the DW Consultancy Ltd has proposed a customer preferred connection option which is based on the entire connection being via a 110 kV underground cable. You have therefore requested an extension to carry out additional studies to ensure that the customer preferred option is compliant with Grid Code and the Transmission System Security and Planning Standards.

You now request to extend the current connection offer date of 09 July 2018 to a new Proposed Connection Offer Date of 23 August 2018, a six week extension.

You also confirmed that you have consulted with DW Consultancy Ltd throughout this process and they have indicated that they are supportive of this request.

Having considered your request and made aware that the concerned parties understand the reasons for this as set out in your letter, we have no further comment, the Authority is able to agree to the extension period requested.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Tanya Hedley

**Director of Compliance and Network Operations**