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Dear Nick

Request for Authority's consent to further extend the Connection Offer Timelines for Connection Application for Doraville Wind Farm.

Thank you for your letter of 17 July 2018, requesting consent from the Authority for SONI to defer the required 3 month timeline to issue a connection offer the Connection Application for Doraville 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. The Authority had previously approved an extension to Condition 25 on 15 June 2018 to the 2 August 2018.

In your correspondence you indicated the TO has advised that its ability to develop and issue a Construction Offer in time to allow SONI to make the Connection Offer will be directly affected by its supplier's response times. As such, and in order for the TO to comply with Condition 20 (3) of its Transmission Licence, the TO has also sought an extension from the Authority.

This means that SONI now further requests to extend the current connection offer date of 2 August 2018 to a new Proposed Connection Offer Date of 31 October 2018, approximately a three month extension.

You also confirmed that you have consulted with SSE Renewables UK Limited 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