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Dear Sir/Madam,

East Inshore and East Offshore marine plan areas – draft Statement of Public Participation

Thank you for your kind invitation to offer comment on the draft Statement of Public Participation for the first two sea areas to be subject to marine planning, as provided for by the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009.

English Heritage is the Government's advisor on all aspects of the historic environment in England. The National Heritage Act (2002) gave English Heritage responsibility for maritime archaeology in the English area of the UK Territorial Sea, modifying our functions to include securing the preservation of monuments in, on, or under the seabed, and promoting the public's enjoyment of, and advancing their knowledge of such monuments. We note that marine planning will include areas of UK continental shelf adjacent to the English area of the UK Territorial Sea and therefore any advice we provide is without prejudice to our statutory responsibilities.

We appreciated the detail regarding our involvement and we look forward to supporting the delivery of this new marine planning system.

Yours faithfully,



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