WindEurope welcomes the opportunity to engage with DECC and respond to this consultation on the draft ORESS 1 Terms and Conditions.

WindEurope represents the wind industry supply chain with over 400 members across 35 countries. The aim of this letter is to support the response of our member Wind Energy Ireland, the organisation representing wind energy in Ireland.

WindEurope fully supports Wind Energy Ireland’s (WEI) response to this consultation and would like to highlight that the RESS scheme will be essential to Ireland achieving our future climate ambitions and central to achieving 80% renewable electricity by 2030.

ORESS1 will play a crucial part in establishing confidence in the emerging offshore wind industry in Ireland and delivering the 5 GW by 2030.

We support the positions taken by WEI and wish to reiterate that the points raised in their consultation response are extremely important for the efficient and economical delivery of ORESS 1 projects.

In conclusion, we would like to thank DECC for the opportunity to engage on this matter and look forward to continuing our work with you in future.

Yours sincerely,

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