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Case number: NV-05873-22

To point of contact in: Finland Estonia Latvia Lithuania

Notification pursuant to Article 3 of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo Convention) regarding a planned offshore wind farm "Erik Segersäll" in Sweden's exclusive economic zone.

According to article 3 point 1 of the Espoo Convention [EIA], affected countries shall be notified and consulted on projects that are likely to cause transboundary environmental impacts. As a party of origin, Sweden hereby notifies your state regarding the plans for the offshore windfarm "Erik Segersäll" in the Baltic Sea.

Information on the project

The developer, Deep Wind Offshore, plans to investigate the possibility of establishing offshore wind power in the Swedish Exclusive Economic Zone [SEZ] in the Baltic Sea. The planned project is located in an area situated 42 kilometres west of Huvudskär and 32 kilometres south of Gotska Sandön. The project area is 1098 square kilometres consisting of a maximum of 300 wind turbines. The project is estimated to have the potential for approximately 6000 MW in installed power with an annual production of about 26 TWh. The turbines within the wind farm will be connected by an internal cable network to one or more offshore substations that are to transmit the electricity to land via cables.

The construction and operation of wind turbines and associated projects in the SEZ requires a permit from the Swedish Government in accordance with the SEZ Act (1992:1140). Government approval is also required by law of the Continental Shelf Act (1966:314) to place cables on the continental shelf, including both internal cables within the wind farm as well as the connection to

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shore. The application for a permit for installing marine cables will be submitted separately. For further details, please see the attached consultation document.

Comments received during the consultation process will be compiled and included in a consultation report. The consultation report is used as a basis for the EIA and is to be added as an attachment when the applications are submitted for consideration.

Participating in the transboundary EIA-procedure

Referring to Article 3.3 of the Espoo Convention, Sweden requests that potential comments are to be submitted **no later than September 7th**, 2022 and:

- 1. acknowledge the receipt of the notification,
- 2. indicate, whether your country intends to participate in the EIA procedure,
- 3. provide comments concerning the scope for the assessment of the environmental impacts of the project on your territory,
- 4. submit any comments you might receive during the public consultation in your country.

Kindly forward your answer to this notification by e-mail to registrator@naturvardsverket.se and indicate case number: NV-05873-22 as well as "Eric Segersäll".

This decision has been made digitally and therefore lacks signatures

For the Swedish Environmental Protection Agency

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Attachments

Consultation document (Swedish, Finnish, English)

Cc.

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