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Dear Nick

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

Thank you for your letter of 11 June, 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.

In your correspondence you indicated that this connection has significant challenges associated with it given its size and that SONI has had to consider the Least Cost Technically Acceptable (LCTA) connection method and give careful consideration due to additional technical complexities this connection raises.

SONI now request to extend the current connection offer date of 21 June 2018 to a new Proposed Connection Offer Date of 2 August 2018, a six week 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