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Response to National Grid ESO regarding HND North Cluster Impact Assessment & Asset Classification

Dear Graham,

We are writing to you in response to the letter you sent to us on 30 May 2024 advising us of the outcome of the North Cluster Impact Assessment¹ (February 2024) and the subsequent network design change in this region of the Holistic Network Design (**HND**).²

We have considered the asset classification of the new recommended design of the North Cluster of the HND and agree that no change to the original asset classification is required. As outlined in your correspondence, the original asset classification remains appropriate due to there being no material changes to electrical flows for this configuration when compared to the original HND recommendation.

Should you have any questions regarding this, please contact the Offshore Coordination Team at offshore.coordination@ofgem.gov.uk to discuss this further.

Yours faithfully,



Stuart Borland
Deputy Director, Offshore Network Regulation

¹ [HND Impact Assessment – North Cluster outcome summary \(nationalgrideso.com\)](https://nationalgrideso.com/HND-Impact-Assessment-North-Cluster-outcome-summary)

² [A Holistic Network Design for Offshore Wind | ESO \(nationalgrideso.com\)](https://nationalgrideso.com/A-Holistic-Network-Design-for-Offshore-Wind-ESO)