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Dear Kabir

**STC Proposed Amendment CA040 - Environmental Assessment and the Relevant Objectives**

We welcome the opportunity to take part in this consultation.

Transmission Capital Partners, a consortium led by Transmission Capital Limited, has recently been appointed preferred bidder on three of the projects in the first transitional offshore transmission tender round. As part of the process to Licence grant and the taking over of these projects, we expect the SPVs established and managed by us, and that will become the OFTO licensees for these projects, will soon become parties to the STC Framework Agreement.

We strongly support the proposed STC amendment CA040. We have a long experience of developing transmission connections for renewable energy projects and sustainability is an important part of our business processes. We therefore recognise the importance of an appropriate assessment of the impact on greenhouse gas emissions on changes to the STC. Given the obligations that licensees now have under Standard Licence Condition B12 to carry out such an assessment as part of any STC Amendment Proposal, it seems appropriate that the STC Committee has similar obligations to consider the impact of STC Amendment Proposals and their alternatives in terms of their impact on greenhouse gas emissions.

We would welcome the opportunity to contribute further to the debate in this area. If you wish to discuss any of the points raised in the letter then please feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely



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