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Dear Sir/Madam

Whitby and Scarborough Off Shore Wind Network

As you are aware, the UK government are currently progressing plans to establish significant wind farms off the North East Coast of England. There are tremendous business development opportunities that can be gained from these investments with the potential to create new businesses and jobs in the Borough of Scarborough and surrounding areas.

The windfarm sites are being developed in a number of phases and importantly, the ports of Whitby and Scarborough provide convenient, fast and direct access. Subject to gaining consent the next phase is due to commence in January 2011. This includes the Westernmost Rough being developed by the Danish Company Dong Energy Ltd. The site is some 7km from the port of Whitby. The following phase, and probably the greatest opportunity, is the proposal to establish an Off Shore Wind Farm of some **2500 wind turbines** over an area in excess of 8500km² at Dogger Bank. Whitby again is the closest port to Dogger Bank, some 197km from shore.

The Council recognises the major business development opportunity these investments present. To capitalise on the opportunity it will be necessary to show how the Borough is able to cater for the requirements of the Industry for operations and maintenance support. The Council has commissioned a study of the Borough's readiness to meet the needs of the Industry but a range of opportunities have already been identified including:

- Education and Training – to equip local people with the necessary skills to support the industry
- Accommodation – to provide for stop over accommodation for workers travelling out to the fields and undertaking studies to assist develop their proposals
- Shipping – to transport people out to the fields
- Boat maintenance – to maintain the boats required by the industry
- Fueling to support the transport of staff
- Maintenance Services – to maintain the turbines once in position

- Engineering and Electrical Engineering – to provide for the maintenance requirements of the industry
- Office and Manufacturing space to provide on-shore bases for the industry

The Council wishes to raise awareness within the Wind Farm industry of the opportunities offered by the ports of Whitby and Scarborough to service the business and to demonstrate to the industry that the Borough has the capability to provide a comprehensive range of services. It is therefore suggested that establishing a local network of organisations to share information and promote the area is the best way forward.

Your organisation has been identified as one that may be interested and I am therefore writing to invite you to become a member of the newly formed Whitby and Scarborough Off Shore Wind Network. An inaugural event for the Network is going to take place on **23 July 2010 at Whitby Pavillion**. At this stage your organisation is being approached:

- (a) To identify whether you wish to be registered as a member of the Network
- (b) To determine whether you wish to be included as an invitee to the event
- (c) To assess whether you are willing to be contacted to provide information to inform the study
- (d) To find out whether you would like to advertise in a brochure that is being put together to promote the facilities that the Borough has to offer

The Council have taken a stand at the UK Renewables Conference in Liverpool which takes place at the end of June and the opportunities that the Borough has to offer will be promoted at that event and a marketing brochure is being prepared. Advertising in the brochure will cost £125 for a quarter page to £500 for a full page. If you wish to take advantage of this opportunity an early response will allow for your organisation's inclusion in the brochure.

Please complete the attached reply slip and send to:

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Yours sincerely



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I would/would not like to become a member of the Network

I would/would not like to attend the Event on 23 July

I am/am not willing to be contacted in connection with the Study being undertaken to assess the Borough's capacity to meet the needs of the Wind Farm Industry

I am interested in taking advertising space in the brochure and would like someone to contact me to discuss. I am likely to be interested in the following amount of space in the brochure (insert tick):

¼ page		½ page		1 page	
£125		£250		£500	

Signed:

Organisation:

Date:

Tel no:

Email:

