



Notice to Mariners

Rampion Offshore Wind Farm

Date of Issue: 17/05/2017

Notice Expires: Ongoing

All Mariners,

Re: Rampion Offshore Wind Farm – Main array hazard area

This NTM supersedes and cancels NTM 57

Installed Inter Array Cabling (IAC) (1st Phase – July to October 2016)

The first phase of IAC installation is complete.

There are some sections of the installed IAC (highlighted yellow on the attached chart) that are currently either shallow buried or exposed on the seabed.

The shallow buried/exposed sections of cable could represent a significant hazard to fishing vessels and their gear (if fishing gear is deployed over them) and any vessels anchoring over them.

Planned Installation & Burial of IAC (2nd Phase – April to July 2017)

The installation & burial of the second phase of IAC has commenced. Shallow buried/exposed sections of cables are present.

Cable Laying & burial operations will be carried out across the site (shown on the attached chart) using the Fugro Symphony (Laying) & Fugro Saltire (Burial).

Cable hazards will remain until completion of cable protection works planned for late summer 2017.

Further information on planned locations of the vessels will be detailed within the ROW project Weekly Notice of Operations (WNoO).



Symphony:
Call Sign-C6YY3
MMSI- 311049100
Length-130m
Breadth-24m
Draft-5.9m
GT-11324



Saltire:
Call Sign-LOD
MMSI-258401000
Length-111m
Breadth-24m
Draft-6.1m
GT-9603



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Actions

The construction vessels will be restricted in manoeuvrability during operations. All vessels are requested to remain a minimum safe distance of 500m from the construction vessels at all times.

Furthermore, interaction between fishing gear (OR anchors) and the IACs could also cause damage to the cables themselves.

All commercial/recreational fishing vessels deploying any form of demersal fishing gears (trawls/shellfish dredgers etc.) or fixed fishing gears (pots, traps, nets etc) and any vessel's anchors should ensure that:

WITHIN the red hatched hazard area (Shown on the chart)

No such gears, including anchors, come within the vicinity of the exposed/shallow buried cables (as indicated by the red hatched hazard area on the chart)

Furthermore, all mariners are requested to make themselves aware of their obligations for conducting activities over buried cables

All mariners should be aware that High Speed project vessels (crew transfer vessels) are operating between the ports of Brighton, Shoreham, predominantly Newhaven and the wind farm.

Further information on the hazards of fishing adjacent to subsea cables can be found in:

- KIS-ORCA/Seafish document '*Kingfisher Awareness Chart, January 2016, English Channel*' and in the attached chart
- Weblinks: www.kis-orca.eu & http://www.kis-orca.eu/media/9292/2016%20English%20Channel_LRes.pdf

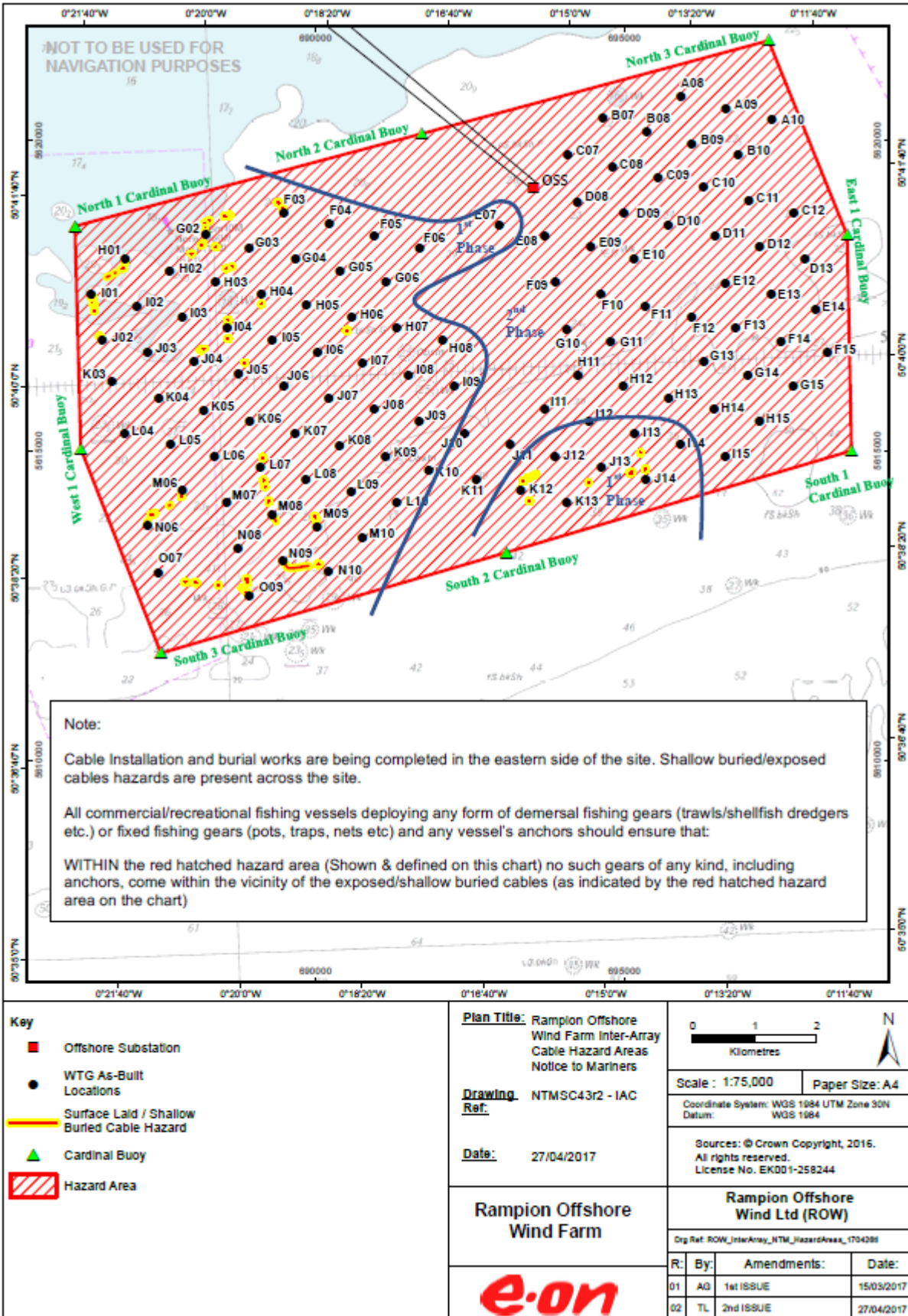


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