



Notice to Mariners

Rampion Offshore Wind Farm

Date of Issue: 23/08/2017

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Dear Authorities, Owners, Ships Agents, Masters, Pilots and Fishermen,

Re: Rampion Offshore Wind Farm - Export Cables shallow buried/exposed cable hazards

This NTM supersedes and cancels NTM 056

Both export cables are now laid. Due to either seabed conditions, or to enable jointing/protection works, some sections of the export cables have been either shallow buried or are currently laid exposed on the seabed.

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

Furthermore, interaction between fishing gears (OR anchors) and the export cables could also cause damage to the export 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 areas on the export cable route (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 areas on the chart)

OUTSIDE the red hatched hazard areas on the export cable route (Shown on the chart)

Mobile or towed demersal fishing gears (trawls, shellfish dredgers etc) including anchors, DO NOT come within the vicinity of the cables

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

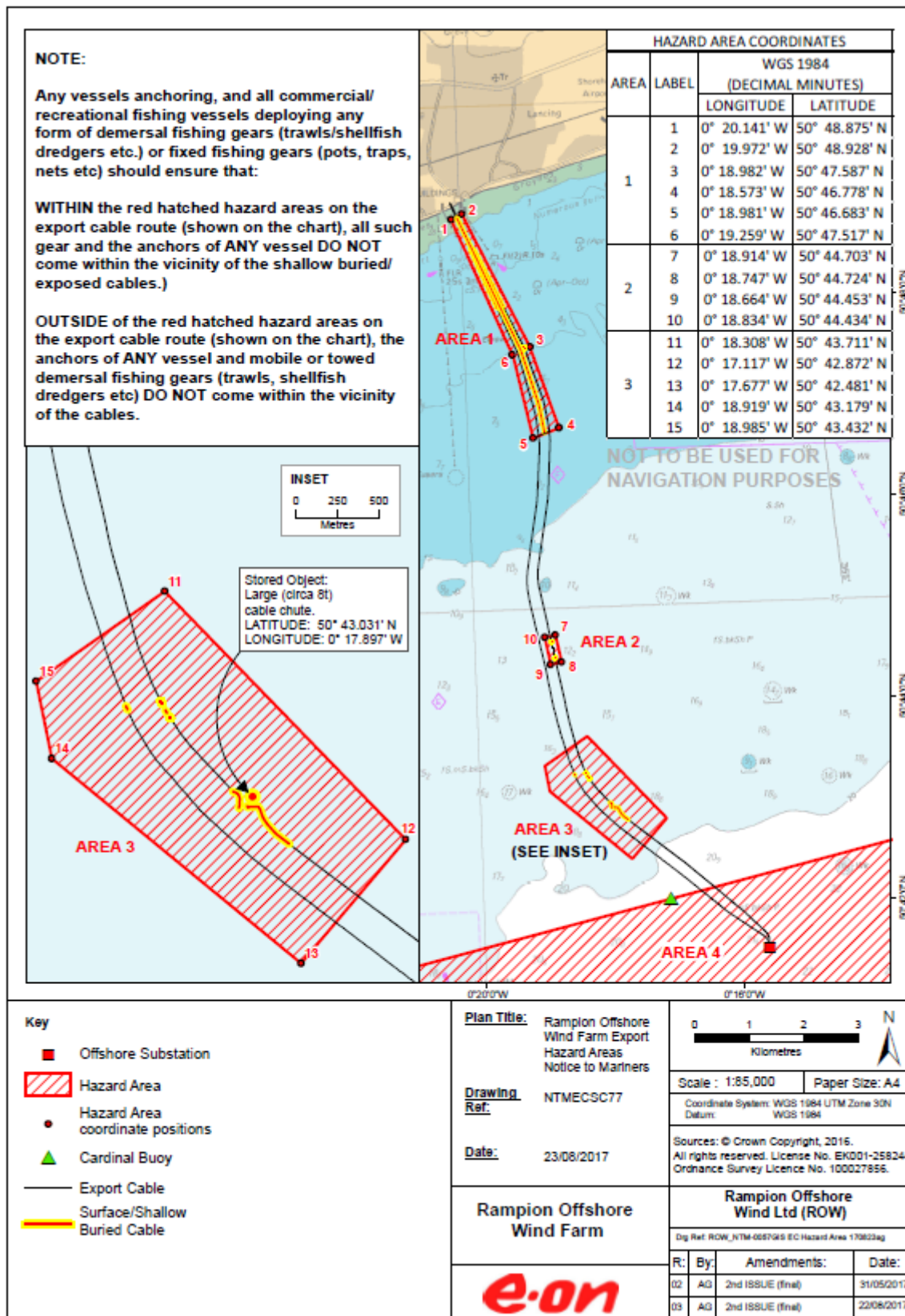


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