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The Renewables Consulting Group wins Crown Estate contract to advise on potential new offshore wind leasing

London, United Kingdom – The Renewables Consulting Group (RCG) has been appointed to provide The Crown Estate with advice on technical aspects for a potential future round of offshore wind leasing in England, Wales, and Northern Ireland.

As part of its work to explore the potential for new offshore wind leasing, The Crown Estate has begun engagement with industry and stakeholders on its early work to design a possible new leasing round.

During information days, held 23-25 July, it was confirmed that RCG will be serving as technical advisor, as part of The Crown Estate's Potential New Leasing project team, alongside KPMG as commercial advisor, NIRAS as HRA advisor and Hogan Lovells as legal advisor.

RCG chief executive officer Sebastian Chivers said that future offshore wind leasing will be critical in securing the UK's offshore wind pipeline, delivering large-scale, low-carbon power and creating jobs opportunities across the country.

"We are delighted to be supporting The Crown Estate's work to explore the potential for new offshore wind leasing. The appointment accords with our strategic vision to further strengthen our support to agencies and governments worldwide, as they implement measures to develop renewable energy capacity." – Sebastian Chivers, CEO, RCG

The terms of the engagement are confidential.

For more information about The Crown Estate's work, please visit the offshore wind potential new leasing page of The Crown Estate website: thecrownestate.co.uk/potentialnewleasing

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All media questions relating to The Crown Estate's work on potential new leasing should be addressed to The Crown Estate directly via their communications team at the contact details below.

About The Renewables Consulting Group

RCG is a specialized expert services firm supporting the global renewable energy sector. From strategy to implementation, the company serves businesses, governments, and non-profits around the world with technical and management consulting services for both mainstream and emerging renewable energy technologies. RCG works with the public sector, private equity and financial services firms, utilities and project developers, equipment manufacturers, and engineering and construction companies for on- and off-shore wind, solar, and emerging technologies including wave and tidal and energy-storage projects. RCG is headquartered in London, and has offices in New York, Amsterdam, Taipei and elsewhere. For more information, visit our website at www.thinkrcg.com or connect with us on Twitter via @thinkrcg

About The Crown Estate

- The Crown Estate is a £14bn real estate business specialising in commercial property in central London, prime regional retail and offshore wind. It also has a substantial rural and coastal portfolio and manages the seabed around England, Wales and Northern Ireland.
- Established by an Act of Parliament, as an independent commercial business, it returns 100% of its annual profits to the Treasury for the benefit of the public finances. This has totalled £2.6bn over the last ten years
- On the seabed, The Crown Estate is responsible for awarding seabed rights for offshore renewable energy projects as well as marine aggregate extraction, carbon capture and natural gas storage, cables and pipelines

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