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Notification of Application: Gas Storage Licence

UK Continental Shelf: East Irish Sea

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The Oil and Gas Authority ('**OGA**') operates under the name North Sea Transition Authority ('**NSTA**'). The OGA remains the legal name of the company. References in this notice to the NSTA should be interpreted as the OGA.

The NSTA has received applications for Gas Storage Licences in the East Irish Sea pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Energy Act 2008 (as amended) (the '**Act**'), in respect of the following area (the '**Area**')

A polygon, the boundary of which is defined by parallels of Latitude and Meridians joining the following points, as defined on European Datum First Adjustment 1950:

53° 52' 00" N	003° 17' 00" W
53° 49' 30" N	003° 17' 00" W
53° 49' 30" N	003° 25' 00" W
53° 51' 00" N	003° 25' 00" W
53° 51' 00" N	003° 26' 00" W
53° 54' 00" N	003° 26' 00" W
53° 54' 00" N	003° 24' 30" W
53° 52' 00" N	003° 24' 30" W
53° 52' 00" N	003° 17' 00" W

A map of the Area is attached for illustrative purposes only, at Appendix 1.

Any persons wishing to make an application for a Gas Storage Licence in respect of all or part of the Area must notify the NSTA at offshore.exploration@nstaauthority.co.uk of their intention to do so within **14 calendar days** from the date of this Notice (by **17:00 BST**¹ on **12 June 2024**) (the '**Deadline**'). Such persons will then be required to submit their completed application within a further 21 calendar days (by **17:00 BST** on **3 July 2024**).

If you have not given notice to the NSTA on or before the Deadline, you will not subsequently be able to submit an application for the Area or part thereof. Further guidance on how to apply for a Gas Storage Licence can be obtained by emailing offshore.exploration@nstaauthority.co.uk.

Please be aware that (among other necessary consents and approvals) a lease from The Crown Estate is required in order to carry out gas storage activities in accordance with the Act. You should contact The Crown Estate at your earliest opportunity.

The fee for making an application for a Gas Storage Licence is **£9,860**. This fee covers the cost of the NSTA services as outlined in the following Guidance Note and in line with the Regulations referred to therein: <https://www.nstaauthority.co.uk/media/mq5eociz/fees-table-pdf-source-april-2024.pdf>. Once an application has been

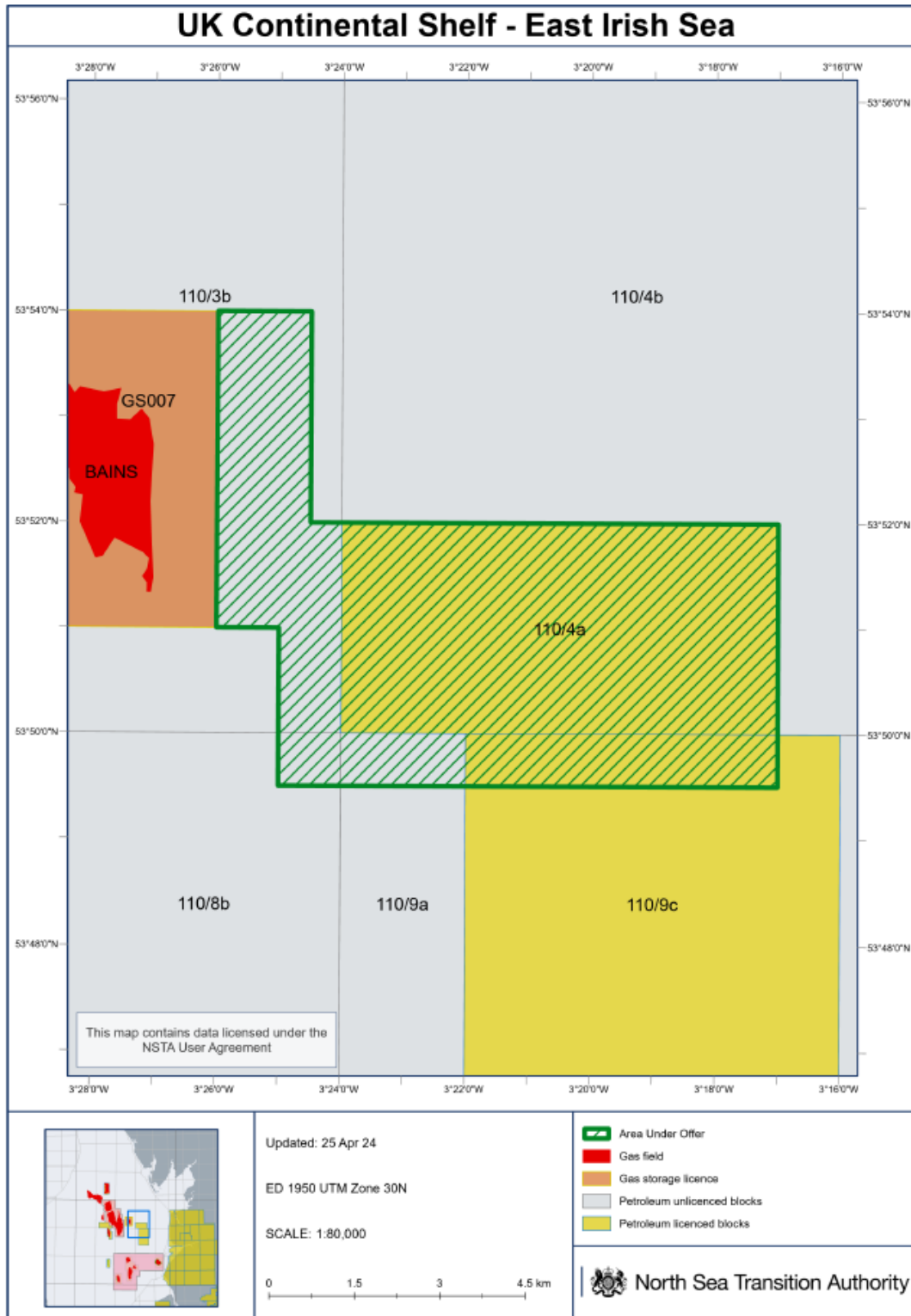
¹ British Summer Time

received, the NSTA's Accounts team will issue an invoice for the fee, with instructions on how this should be paid. The NSTA will not consider an application until the application fee is paid.

The NSTA accepts no liability for any costs incurred by any person in considering or making an application pursuant to this notice.

Appendix 1

Illustrative Map of Area 1





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