

Offshore Electricity Infrastructure (Invitation to Apply for a Feasibility Licence) Instrument (No. 1) 2022

I, Chris Bowen, Minister for Climate Change and Energy, make the following instrument.

Dated 17/12/22

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Offshore Electricity Infrastructure (Invitation to Apply for a Feasibility Licence) Instrument (No. 1) 2022.*

2 Commencement

(1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. Sections 1 to 4 and anything in this instrument not elsewhere covered by this table	Immediately after the commencement of the <i>Offshore Electricity Infrastructure (Declared Area OEI-01-2022) Declaration 2022.</i>	
2. Section 5	23 January 2023	23 January 2023

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

(2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under section 9 of the *Offshore Electricity Infrastructure Regulations 2022*.

4 Definitions

Note:

A number of expressions used in this instrument are defined in section 8 of the *Offshore Electricity Infrastructure Act 2021*, including the following:

- (a) declaration;
- (b) declared area
- (c) eligible person;
- (d) feasibility licence;
- (e) management plan.

In this instrument:

declaration means the *Offshore Electricity Infrastructure (Declared Area OEI-01-2022) Declaration 2022.*

Declared Area OEI-01-2022 has the same meaning as in the declaration.

5 Invitation to apply for feasibility licences

- (1) Eligible persons are invited to apply for feasibility licences.
- (2) The declared area for which licences may be granted is Declared Area OEI-01-2022.
- (3) Applications must be made on or before 27 April 2023.
- (4) The declaration requires licences granted in the declared area to be subject to the conditions specified in section 6 of the declaration.
 - Note: Licences will also be subject to other conditions: see section 35 of the Act.