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The drafting group carried out extensive investigation and research, made a careful summary of the practical experience gained in recent years in the planning and design of offshore wind power projects, and prepared this guide on the basis of a wide solicitation of comments.

This guide is divided into 8 chapters and is accompanied by an appendix and an explanation of provisions.

The main technical contents of this guide are: general provisions; terms; basic requirements; engineering geology; foundation design; penetration installation design; in-situ bearing capacity analysis; and transportation and installation scheme.

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Chapter 1, General provisions, begins on page 1.

Chapter 2, Terms, begins on page 2.

Chapter 3, Basic requirements, begins on page 3 and contains 3.1 Design principles, page 3, and 3.2 Design requirements, page 3.

Chapter 4, Engineering geology, begins on page 5 and contains 4.1 Geotechnical investigation, page 5, and 4.2 Geotechnical parameters for design and installation, page 8.

Chapter 5, Foundation design, begins on page 10 and contains 5.1 Overall structure design, page 10; 5.2 Jacket structural design, page 10; 5.3 Side wall of suction pile structural design, page 11; and 5.4 Transitional section and bucket lid of suction pile structural design, page 25.

Chapter 6, Penetration installation design, begins on page 27 and contains 6.1 General requirements, page 27; 6.2 Penetration resistance calculation, page 28; and 6.3 Allowable differential pressure, page 30.

Chapter 7, In-situ bearing capacity analysis, begins on page 32 and contains 7.1 General requirements, page 32; 7.2 Geotechnical engineering analysis, page 32; 7.3 Bearing capacity calculation, page 33; and 7.4 Deformation calculation, page 33.

Chapter 8, Transportation and installation scheme, begins on page 34 and contains 8.1 Transportation scheme, page 34, and 8.2 Installation scheme, page 34.

Appendix A, Design tolerances for the cylindrical shell members, begins on page 36.

Explanation of wording in this guide begins on page 42.

List of quoted standards begins on page 43.

Addition: Explanation of provisions begins on page 45.

The body of the guide therefore runs to 35 pages, the appendix occupies pages 36 to 41, and the explanation of provisions, which is printed as an addition, starts at page 45.

Section 5.3, on the structural design of the side wall of the suction pile, is by far the longest section of the guide, running from page 11 to page 24.

Standards quoted in the readable part of the guide

GB 51395, Standard for Investigation and Survey of Offshore Wind Farms, quoted in 4.1.1 for the grading of the engineering investigation.