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It has been brought to my attention that National Grid have withdrawn their planning application, since Wylfa 'B' power station is being delayed. However, the power station planning application is continuing, it follows then, that National Grid should be obliged to submit a new planning application at some point in the future, should the project be revived. It is my fervent belief that any such a future application, must not use overhead pylons and transmission towers. However, my understanding is that National Grid have written their chosen design (pylons!) into the power station planning application! I cannot believe that this has been done in error, which strongly suggests that National Grid are attempting to subvert the Planning Process on purpose. Since, as it stands, this would mean if/when the power station gets planning permission, National Grid's design will form part of it and this is clear abuse of the planning process!

The Development Consent Order (DCO) submitted by Horizon includes a Statement of Common Ground between Horizon and National Grid document reference:-
EN010007-003088-18, which refers to a 400 kV overhead line.

The North Wales Connection project has been cancelled by National Grid, and this was confirmed by the Planning Inspectorate on February 20th 2019. Some elements of the above document are now no longer true. Just one example being section 1.2.3 "*National Grid is promoting a second 400kV connection between the Wylfa and Pentir substations.*" There are many more.

It would be wholly inappropriate for any development consent order for the power station to include reference to overhead lines specifically. There is no technical, energy or planning need for transmission to be via overhead lines. Revision of this document is needed to reflect National Grid's decision to cancel their connection project in its entirety.

I would therefore ask you to ensure that National Grid and Horizon make appropriate revisions to this, and any other, documents, to remove all reference to overhead lines, before the examination of the power station DCO is complete.

Regards

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