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NT Response to Procedural Deadline A .pdf

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find attached a letter from the National Trust regarding the Examination procedure and timetable for the Sizewell C DCO application.

This is a written submission for Procedural Deadline A (10th March 2021).

I would be grateful if you would confirm receipt of this letter.

Kind regards



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The Planning Inspectorate National Infrastructure Planning

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Your Ref: EN010012

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Dear Sir/Madam

Application by NNB Generation Company (SZC) Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for The Sizewell C Project

Procedural Deadline A Submission: Written submission on the Examination procedure and timetable

The National Trust is writing to express concern about one element of the draft examination timetable, namely Deadline 2, scheduled for 26th May 2021. Our concern relates to the need to provide for a reasonable and appropriate period of time between the acceptance of any changes to the application by the Examining Authority (anticipated to be on or around 21st April 2021) and the submission of Written Representations by Interested Parties (Deadline 2).

We feel this time is needed to appropriately assess the impacts of the development arising from any accepted changes on our land and operations at Dunwich Heath. We believe additional time is justified for the following reasons:

- In line with many other NGO's, as a charity we have limited resources and are unable to deploy them to review changes which may or may not be confirmed by the Examining Authority as this may result in abortive work. Whilst we accept there will always be elements of risk during the Examination, it is noted that in this case the changes have been with the Examining Authority for approximately three months by the time the decision about whether to accept the changes is made. By contrast, we will be afforded approximately 5 weeks (to include internal sign off) to review and prepare our Written Representation including the impact of any accepted changes on the Trust's land and operations.
- Our land at Dunwich Heath is subject to a number of designations as regulated by statutory authorities. Given the potential implications on the designations by the proposed development we have been liaising with these statutory bodies to enable a reasonable and consistent approach to our concerns. Therefore, if changes are accepted to the submission,

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Registered office: Heelis, Kemble Drive, Swindon, Wiltshire SN2 2NA Registered charity number 205846 time would need to be allowed for regulators to update their position and to communicate this with land managers of designated sites such as ourselves. We accept that this can be done in isolation, however we feel it is important to enable common ground to be established between all parties.

Prior to the submission of our Written Representation the Trust anticipates that key staff will
also be continuing discussions with EDF about required monitoring and mitigation and
preparing a joint Statement of Common Ground. The internal resource required to undertake
this work are understandably the same specialists required to support the articulation of our
concerns through our Written Representations.

Should the Examining Authority decide to accept the changes and consider our concerns as valid, we consider that a minimum of 8 weeks between the date of this decision and the deadline for the submission of Written Representations would be appropriate.

Yours faithfully

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