

Dated 2 June 2021

## APPLICATION BY NNB GENERATION COMPANY (SZC) LIMITED FOR AN ORDER GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR THE SIZEWELL C PROJECT SCHEME

**PLANNING INSPECTORATE REFERENCE NUMBER: EN010012** 

**REGISTRATION IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 20026630** 

SUMMARY OF WRITTEN REPRESENTATION submitted on behalf of Network Rail Infrastructure Limited

## **Summary of Written Representation**

- 1. Network Rail (NR) does not object in principle to the Proposed Development. However, it objects to temporary and permanent compulsory powers being granted or executed or the extinguishment of the rights held by Network Rail over operational railway land and third party land on which it relies for the carrying out of its statutory undertaking.
- 2. Network Rail also objects to the seeking of powers to carry out works under and/or to operational and non-operational railway land belonging to Network Rail without first securing appropriate protective provisions in the Order for Network Rail's statutory undertaking.
- 3. The Applicant and Network Rail are in discussions in relation to the Proposed DCO. However, to date, the Applicant has not been able to provide Network Rail with sufficient information about the works proposed under the Order, their interactions with operational railway and whether these works are sufficient and deliverable so as to enable the Applicant's anticipated use of operational railway.
- 4. In particular Network Rail has concerns relating to the upgrades to the Saxmundham to Leiston branch line, level crossings on the branch line and Saxmundham junction and the construction of a new 'Green Rail Route' to the construction site, a freight train siding and a new bridge over the East Suffolk Mainline.
- 5. Until such time as NR is given the protection and assurances requested as detailed in this Written Representation, NR's objection to the Proposed DCO cannot be withdrawn. As set out in the Written Representation, NR requests that its bespoke protective provisions replace those at Part 3 of Schedule 18 of the Proposed DCO.
- 6. If sufficient progress regarding the protective provisions for railway interests and the private agreement between NR and the Applicant is not made between the parties in the coming weeks, NR will request to be heard at an appropriate hearing to explain in detail the impacts of the scheme.

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