



The Sizewell C Project

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Status of the SOCG

- 1.1.1 This Statement of Common Ground ('SoCG') is complete and all matters relating to planning are agreed between parties. This version (Version 03), dated 06/10/21, has been prepared through a programme of engagement between NNB Generation Company (SZC) Limited ('SZC Co.') as the Applicant and Cadent Gas Limited ('Cadent'), referred to as 'the parties'.

1.2 Purpose of this document

- 1.2.1 The purpose of this SoCG is to set out the position of the parties arising from the application for development consent for the construction and operation of the Sizewell C nuclear power station and together with the proposed associated development (hereafter referred to as 'the Sizewell C Project'). This SoCG has been prepared in accordance with the 'Guidance for the examination of applications for development consent' published in March 2015 by the Department of Communities and Local Government (hereafter referred to as 'DCLG guidance').
- 1.2.2 The aim of this SoCG is, therefore, to inform the Examining Authority and provide a clear position on the state and extent of discussions and agreement between the parties on matters relating to the proposed Sizewell C Project.
- 1.2.3 This SoCG does not seek to replicate information which is available elsewhere within the DCO application documents. All documents are available on the Planning Inspectorate website.

1.3 Structure of this Statement of Common Ground

- 1.3.1 Chapter 2 provides a schedule which details the position on relevant matters between the parties, including any matters where discussions are ongoing. This is underpinned by Appendix A, which provides a summary of engagement undertaken to establish this SoCG.

2 POSITION OF THE PARTIES

- 2.1.1 Table 2.1 provides an overview of the position of the parties and any further actions planned.


Table 2.1: Position of Parties

Ref.	Matter	Cadent's position	SZC Co.'s Position	Further Action Required	Agreed/ Not Agreed/ In Progress
Draft Development Consent Order					
1	The latest version of the draft DCO was submitted to the Examining Authority in July 2021.	Cadent is generally satisfied that the works described in the DCO are sufficient to authorise the Cadent works.	SZC Co. have reached an agreement with Cadent that both parties are satisfied with the SZC draft DCO and that the constraints/requirements allow for all the works to be carried out as required.	N/A	Agreed
Protective Provisions					
2	Cadent will require protective provisions to be included within the DCO to ensure that its interests are adequately protected and to ensure compliance with relevant safety standards.	Protective provisions agreed.	Protective provisions agreed.	N/A	Agreed
Effect on existing Cadent apparatus					
3	Cadent's rights to retain its apparatus in situ and rights of access to inspect, maintain, renew and repair such apparatus located within or in close proximity to the order limits including should be maintained at	Cadent agree that these matters will be suitably addressed in the protective provisions subject to agreement to the outstanding matters in point 2.	These matters are covered in the protective provisions. Where apparatus is covered by existing legal agreements, the project will work with Cadent to ensure that where apparatus is to be altered/moved etc, the appropriate legal agreements will be put in place to protect Cadent's position in relation to this	N/A	Agreed.

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	all times and access to inspect such apparatus must not be restricted.		<p>apparatus. Any apparatus not subject to diversion will be suitably protected.</p> <p>SZC Co and Cadent are continuing to engage to agree the outstanding issues which include security and insurance arbitration and approval of plans. Parties will seek to agree these outstanding points by Deadline 6.</p>		
Effect on Cadent apparatus to be diverted					
4	<p>Cadent has low, and medium pressure gas pipelines and associated apparatus located within the Order limits which are affected by works proposed and which may require diversions subject to the impact.</p> <p>4 No. diversions have been identified across the Main Development Site (MDS) and Associated Development sites (ADs):</p> <p>1. A12 junction with Sizewell Link Road, C3 Quote: EAGD200126</p>	<p>Proposed diversions designs have been developed and are confirmed to be within the SZC Order Limits. Detailed designs will be developed, however both parties agree sufficient design details have been agreed at this stage in the process.</p> <p>Cadent agree that these matters will be suitably addressed in the protective provisions subject to agreement to the outstanding matters in point 2.</p>	<p>Preliminary diversion designs have been produced and supporting C3 estimate budgets have been agreed in principle with Cadent in Jan/Feb 2020. SZC Co. will continue to work with Cadent to develop detailed designs. Both parties agree that sufficient design details have been agreed at this stage in the process.</p> <p>SZC Co. are working with landowners to secure voluntary agreements, where required, to allow the works to take place.</p> <p>Protective provisions will ensure processes are in place to work together going forward to the satisfaction of both parties.</p>	N/A	Agreed.

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Ref.	Matter	Cadent's position	SZC Co.'s Position	Further Action Required	Agreed/ Not Agreed/ In Progress
	2. Sizewell Branch Line crossing / Green Rail Route crossing, C3 Quote: EAGD210014. 3. King George's Avenue, C3 Quote: EAGD200127. 4. MD Ancillary Construction Area opposite Leiston Enterprise Centre, C3 Quote: EAGD210014		SZC Co and Cadent are continuing to engage to agree the outstanding issues which include security and insurance arbitration and approval of plans. Parties will seek to agree these outstanding points by Deadline 6.		
New Cadent Connections					
5	New connections	No new connections required.	No new connections required.	N/A	Agreed

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APPENDIX A: ENGAGEMENT ON THE SOCG

A.1.1. The preparation of this SoCG has been informed by a programme of discussions between the parties, as are summarised in Table 2.2.

Table 2.2: SOCG meetings held between the parties

Date	Details of the Meeting
18/11/2020	Initial Meeting
08/02/2021	Meeting to review protective provisions and diversions
30/03/2021	Meeting to review protective provisions and diversions
13/04/2021	Review of diversions, protective provisions and SOCG
20/04/2021	Meeting to discuss SoCG
30/06/2021	Meeting to discuss protective provisions and SoCG
13/07/2021	Meeting to discuss SoCG
05/10/2021	Meeting to discuss SoCG and protective provisions