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Application by Capture Power Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the White Rose Carbon Capture and Storage Project

Capture Power Limited has made an application to the Planning Inspectorate for an Order Granting Development Consent for the White Rose Carbon Capture & Storage Project. The NFU is interested in any adverse effect a 448 MWe coal fired power station with carbon capture equipment may have on farmland and our member's farm businesses. I write in the capacity of local representative of the NFU in the North East with respect to the first written questions and requests published in the Examining Authority's letter (29 April 2015).

The NFU give notification of our wish to be considered as an interested party.

Response to Examining Authority's first written questions and requests

Water Resources/Flooding Issues

Question 7.11 – The NFU has concerns that there might be further risk from nitrates on Drinking Water Safeguard Zone. This has not been specially examined in the ES. Comments on the likely impact.

The NFU has liaised with the Environment Agency (Sam Kipling, Sustainable Places - Planning Specialist) and understand that the environmental impacts of air emissions, including those potentially affecting Nitrate Vulnerable Zones and any associated Water Safeguard Zones will be assessed in detail as part of the Environmental Permitting Regulations (EPR) determination process. We appreciate the ExA acknowledgement of this issue, and will await the outcome of the Environment Agency's work.