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Date: 2nd December 2016

Annwyl Syr/Madam / Dear Sir/Madam,

WREXHAM ENERGY CENTRE

PROJECT REFERENCE: EN 010055

SUMMARY OF ORAL REPRESENTATIONS AND ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS RAISED AT THE ISSUE SPECIFIC HEARING ON ENVIRONMENTAL AND OTHER ISSUES.

1.1 The purpose of the Natural Resources Body for Wales (NRW) is to ensure that the environment and natural resources of Wales are sustainably maintained, sustainably enhanced and sustainably used. In this context sustainably means with a view to benefitting and in a manner designed to benefit the people, environment and economy of Wales now and in the future. NRW's functions are set out in the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Functions) Order 2013. NRW's advice and comments to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) are therefore provided in the context of this remit.

1.2 NRW's comments are made without prejudice to any additional comments we may wish to make when consulted on any other documents provided by the applicant, the ExA or any of the regulating bodies who are involved in authorising different aspects of the overall development proposals (including NRW).


1.3 Annex A provides a summary of NRW's oral representations. Annex B contains NRW's response to questions raised by the ExA at issue specific hearings (23/11/2016). NRW has also attached to this representation the Freedom of Information request made by Chris Briggs for the consideration of the ExA.

1.4 NRW has now finalised the SOCG with WPL and signed off the document. NRW understands that this is to be countersigned and submitted by the applicant to deadline 6. NRW can confirm that there are no outstanding matters which have not been agreed within the SOCG. As such, based on the information presented to date, NRW would not wish to raise any issues with regard to the application which require further consideration within the Examination period.

1.5 Our comments are provided without prejudice to any decision NRW may make on any application made to it by the applicant for an Environmental Permit under the Environmental Permit Regulations 2010 (EPR).

Please contact Tomos Hughes (wrexhamenergy@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk) should you require further advice or information regarding this representation.

Yn gywir / Yours faithfully,

A black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of Mr. Richard Nines.

Mr. Richard Nines

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