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Re: Comments on Response from National Grid to ExA's Written Questions (EXQ1)

We were unsurprised to read that National Grid (NG) do not intend to attend Issue Specific Hearings (ISH1 or ISH2) or the Compulsory Acquisition Hearing (CAH1). Their response to the Examining Authority's Written Questions is typical of the contempt they have shown to the campaign groups throughout the process. They are correct, though, in their assertion that they are not the applicant. Instead they have used the Scottish Power Renewables (SPR) applications for EA1N & EA2 to build a new NG substation without proper public scrutiny. It is clear, and has been for over a year, that National Grid Ventures will also connect at Friston should the applications for EA1N & EA2 be approved. Their statement that "NGV are seeking to ensure the proposed NGET substation is future proofed for other future developments, namely the proposed Nautilus and EuroLink Interconnector projects" would seem to support that. So the current applications under examination are not just for EA1N & EA2 and a new NG substation. They are in effect also for NGV's two Interconnector projects. And while NGESO say they "cannot comment on any unsigned connection agreements or connection queries" it's clear that the Greater Gabbard and Galloper Extensions as well as SCD1 & SCD2 have been given provisional connection offers by NG at Friston making a total of 8 projects. Given NG's lack of respect for the Planning Inspectorate and its work, and indeed for the local community, now would seem a good time to halt this examination before NG's actions completely erode trust in the planning process for NSIPs.

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