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Dear Sirs,

Please see attached letter on behalf of National Grid in relation to tomorrow's hearing.

Kind regards

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Dear Sirs,

Norfolk Vanguard Development Consent Order Application

We act for National Grid Plc on behalf of both National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc and National Grid Gas Plc. We write further to our letter of the 16th January 2019, reserving our right to attend the Issue Specific Hearing on the drafting of the dDCO on the 7th February 2019 and also note that National Grid is mentioned in the agenda to the meeting as attending.

We continue to negotiate with the promoters of this DCO in respect of the drafting of the Protective Provisions and have made some progress since the submission of the Written Representations. As such National Grid does not think that it is necessary to attend the hearing tomorrow when remaining outstanding issues should be capable of resolution with the promoter. However National Grid are concerned that negotiations should now be drawn to a prompt conclusion.

As such National Grid would still like to reserve their right to attend the next Issue Specific Hearing on the 28th March 2019. We will be asking the Promoter to make every effort to negotiate a finalised and agreed position with National Grid by 14th March, in order that we have clarity as to any outstanding issues sufficiently in advance of the next Issue Specific Hearing date.

Yours sincerely

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