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Importance: High

Dear Sirs

We are instructed by National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc (NGET) and National Grid Gas Plc (NGG) (together 'National Grid').

This statement should be read in conjunction with the written submissions submitted on behalf of National Grid on 15 January 2019.

The parties have agreed the protective provisions and other mechanisms that are required to safeguard National Grid's existing apparatus and mechanisms for the implementation of the Order in so far as it may affect National Grid's assets.

The parties have now also agreed Heads of Terms in relation to provision of cable corridor routes into Norwich Sub-station over NGET's land, in so far as the interests would otherwise be subject to compulsory acquisition powers pursuant to the Order. The Applicant agrees not to exercise such compulsory rights in the Order as against NGET in lieu of the entering into associated land documents (principally an option agreement and lease).

The parties are now in the process of dealing with the drafting of the necessary land documents and it is anticipated that the drafting of those agreements can be concluded into the next 7 days or so. Once such documents are agreed and concluded, National Grid will withdraw its objection to the Application.

In light of the above, National Grid does not intend to attend the Issue Specific Hearing and CA Hearing to be held on 30 and 31 January 2019 in the interests of expediency and costs. We would be grateful if you could please withdraw National Grid's name from the list of attendees accordingly. However until the documentation is executed and its objection withdrawn, National Grid relies on its written submissions and wishes to reserve its position to attend any further hearings or submit further detailed representations before the close of the Examination on 2 April 2019.

Yours faithfully

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