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Dear Ms Williams,

EN010082 – THE TEES COMBINED CYCLE POWER PLANT PROJECT – APPLICANT'S DEADLINE 7 SUBMISSION NO.2

THE PLANNING ACT 2008 (AS AMENDED) AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (EXAMINATION PROCEDURE) RULES 2010 (AS AMENDED) – RULE 17

I write on behalf of Sembcorp Utilities (UK) Limited (the 'Applicant') in respect of Deadline 7 of the examination (the 'Examination') into the Tees Combined Cycle Power Plant Project (the 'Project').

Scope of submission

The Examining Authority's ('ExA's') letter dated 05 September 2018 sets out a number of queries and requests for additional information from the Applicant for Deadline 7, including in respect of the following:

- Designation of Teesmouth and Cleveland Coast as a proposed Special Protection Area ('pSPA'), proposed Ramsar site and enlarged Site of Special Scientific Interest ('SSSI');
- Development Consent Order ('DCO') Requirement 4(1)(d), 4(2)(b) and 4(3) – detailed design of the authorised development;
- DCO Requirement 13(2)(a)(ii) – noise monitoring specification within the Construction Environmental Management Plan ('CEMP'); and
- Carbon Capture Readiness ('CCR') Report.

The enclosed report entitled 'Applicant's Response to the Examining Authority's Information Requests' (Application Document Ref: 8.59) provides the further information necessary to address matters 1-4 above. The report is supported by the following documents, which also form part of the Applicant's Deadline 7 submission:

- Applicant's Comment on the Response to Examining Authority's Second Written Questions (Application Document Ref: 8.59);
- HRA Addendum (Application Document Ref: 8.60);
- Stack Diameter Sensitivity Study (Application Document Ref: 8.61);

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- Memo prepared by AECOM – Response to Environment Agency Letter Dated 13 September 2018 (Ref. NA/2018/114039/08-L01) Regarding Carbon Capture Readiness (Application Document Ref: 8.64); and
- Tees CCPP – Section 106 Agreement – Final Unsigned – 26.09.18 (Application Document Ref: 8.65).

Update on CCR

The Applicant has provided further information to address the comments made in the letter from the Environment Agency dated 13 September 2018 (Ref: NA/2018/114039/08-L01). The further information is set out in a memo prepared by AECOM (Application Document Ref: 8.64) referred to earlier in this letter.

The Environment Agency has since issued a letter dated 21 September 2018 (Ref: NA/2018/114039/09-L01) confirming that:

- the Applicant has provided sufficient information to address the Annex C checklist;
- there are no foreseeable barriers to the technical feasibility of carbon capture plant retrofit for a 1,520 MW power plant; and
- the Applicant will need to provide further evidence to demonstrate the feasibility of a power plant with a maximum capacity of 1,700 MW.

In light of the above, the Agency has proposed a requirement that places a limit on electrical output until such a time that further information is provided to demonstrate that 1,700 MW is feasible. The proposed text is set out in the letter dated 21 September 2018 (Ref: NA/2018/114039/09-L01).

The Applicant agrees with the principle of using such a requirement, as set out in the letter to the ExA dated 06 September 2018 (Application Document Ref: 8.49). However, the Applicant proposes a minor amendment to the wording proposed by the Environment Agency, on the basis that it is not possible to attach an informative to a DCO and to ensure that terminology is consistent with the draft DCO. For more detail, including the proposed requirement text, please refer to Matter no.4 in Table 2.1 of Application Document Ref: 8.59 referred to earlier in this letter.

Update on other matters

The Applicant wishes to provide an update in respect of the following matters:

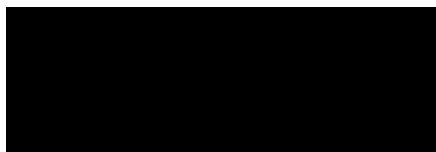
- Statement of Common Ground with the Environment Agency (Application Document Ref: 7.4) – the Applicant is currently seeking agreement with the Environment Agency on the final wording of the proposed CCR requirement (referred to above) and an agreed position on CCR. It is proposed to submit an agreed and signed Statement of Common Ground with the Environment Agency on or before Deadline 8 – with no matters outstanding.

- Section 106 – the Applicant has now reached agreement with Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council on the Section 106. The document is therefore enclosed in its final form (Application Document Ref: 8.65) and will shortly be circulated for execution. It is the Applicant’s intention to submit an executed version on or before Deadline 8.

I trust that this letter and enclosures provide the information required from the Applicant for Deadline 7.

I would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of this letter.

Yours sincerely



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Encs:

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