



Meeting note

Project name	Wheelabrator Kemsley Generating Station (K3) – Power Upgrade and Wheelabrator Kemsley North (WKN)
File reference	EN010083
Status	Final
Author	The Planning Inspectorate
Date	8 August 2018
Meeting with	Wheelabrator Technologies Inc (WTI)
Venue	Grant, TQH, Bristol
Meeting objectives	Project update meeting
Circulation	All attendees

Summary of key points discussed and advice given

The Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) advised that a note of the meeting would be taken and published on its website in accordance with section 51 of the Planning Act 2008 (the PA2008). Any advice given under s51 would not constitute legal advice upon which applicants (or others) could rely.

Project update

The Applicant provided an update in relation to the Wheelabrator Kemsley Generating Station upgrade (K3) and the proposed Wheelabrator Kemsley North Waste to Energy Facility (WKN), following the section 35 (s35) request to the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) to direct that the proposed WKN of up to 42MW total generating capacity be treated as development for which development consent is required. On 27 June 2018 the Secretary of State for BEIS agreed to the Applicant's request and issued a s35 Direction.

The Applicant confirmed that the Wheelabrator (K3) is currently at an advanced stage of construction, 75% completed and due to be finished in Q1 of 2019.

Approach to EIA

The Inspectorate queried the Applicant's approach to the assessment of the proposed schemes for the Environmental Statement (ES). In regard to the Baseline on which to assess the power upgrade would be K3 as developed.

Approach to application

The Inspectorate advised that the PA2008 allows for two projects within one Development Consent Order (DCO) application. The Applicant confirmed that it intends to submit a single application. The Inspectorate suggested the Applicant presents both



schemes as separate Works within one DCO, as they are so closely related, and consider the previously consented DCOs for the following projects:

- Dogger Bank Creyke Beck Offshore Wind Farm, Examining Authority's Report (paragraph 2.5 onwards) <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010021/EN010021-000002-Examining%20Authority%20Recommendation%20Report.pdf>
- Dogger Bank Teesside A and B Offshore Wind Farms (note that this project has now been re-named) Examining Authority's Report (paragraph 2.1.1 onwards) <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010051/EN010051-002085-Examining%20Authority%20Recommendation%20Report.pdf>

The Inspectorate recommended that the Applicant prepares a draft DCO ahead of the next meeting due to be arranged in September, setting out how the DCO may be drafted to incorporate the two schemes, and identify any particular issues they may have relating to the drafting. The Applicant advised that it will provide a new name and description to the Inspectorate to reflect the proposed changes that incorporates both K3 and WKN, and reflects that WKN has been designated as a NSIP. Currently the Applicant's intention is to submit the scoping request within the next few weeks and the DCO application in Q1 of 2019; however, the Applicant is considering submitting another s35 request, in relation to the upgrade of WKN to up to 45MW total generating capacity.

In terms of the statutory consultation the Applicant's intention is to carry out consultation on both projects together, to be completed by the end of the year.

Specific decisions

The following actions were agreed:

- The Applicant to provide a copy of the s35 Direction for publishing on the National Infrastructure's website.