THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (EXAMINATIONS PROCEDURE) RULES 2010

NORFOLK BOREAS

PINS REFERENCE EN010087

WRITTEN REPRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF CADENT GAS LIMITED



1 REPRESENTATION

- 1.1 Cadent Gas Limited ("Cadent") is a licensed gas transporter under Section 7 of the Gas Act 1986, with a statutory responsibility to operate and maintain the gas distribution networks in North London, Central and North West England. Cadent's primary duties are to operate, maintain and develop its networks in an economic, efficient and coordinated way.
- 1.2 Cadent is required to comply with the terms of its Licence in the delivery of its statutory responsibilities. It is regulated by the Network Code which contains relevant conditions as to safe transmission of gas and compliance with industry standards on transmission, connection and safe working in the vicinity of its Apparatus.
- 1.3 Cadent made a relevant representation in this matter on 5 August 2019 in order to protect apparatus owned by Cadent which is reproduced in the Appendix to this representation. Cadent has intermediate and high pressure (major accident hazard) gas pipelines and associated below or above ground apparatus located within the order limits which are affected by works proposed.
- 1.4 Cadent does not object in principle to the development proposed by the Promoter. Cadent does, however, object to the Authorised Works being carried out in close proximity to their apparatus in the area unless and until suitable protective provisions and related agreements have been secured to their satisfaction.
- 1.5 Cadent is discussing a form of protective provisions with the Promoter based on those agreed in relation to the Norfolk Vanguard DCO and hopes to reach agreement shortly. Cadent does not, therefore, propose to expand on the relevant representation made to date but reserves the right to make further representations in the unlikely event that negotiations are not concluded with the Promoter.

APPENDIX

Representation by Cadent Gas Limited (Cadent) to the Norfolk Boreas Offshore Wind Farm DCO

Cadent is a licensed gas transporter under the Gas Act 1986, with a statutory responsibility to operate and maintain the gas distribution networks in North London, Central and North West England. Cadent's primary duties are to operate, maintain and develop its networks in an economic, efficient and coordinated way.

Cadent wishes to make a relevant representation to the Norfolk Boreas DCO in order to protect its position in light of infrastructure which is within or in close proximity to the proposed DCO boundary. Cadent's rights to retain its apparatus in situ and rights of access to inspect, maintain, renew and repair such apparatus located within or in close proximity to the order limits including should be maintained at all times and access to inspect such apparatus must not be restricted.

The documentation and plans submitted for the above proposed scheme have been reviewed in relation to impacts on Cadent's existing apparatus located within this area, and Cadent has identified that it will require adequate protective provisions to be included within the DCO to ensure that its apparatus and land interests are adequately protected and to include compliance with relevant safety standards.

Cadent has intermediate and high pressure (major accident hazard) gas pipelines and associated below or above ground apparatus located within the order limits which are affected by works proposed. As a responsible statutory undertaker, Cadent's primary concern is to meet its statutory obligations and ensure that any development does not impact in any adverse way upon those statutory obligations.

Cadent is discussing a form of protective provisions with the promoter based on those agreed in relation to the Norfolk Vanguard DCO and hopes to reach agreement shortly. Cadent wishes to reserve the right to make further representations as part of the examination process but in the meantime will continue negotiations with the promoter with a view to reaching a satisfactory agreement.