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Your references for communications with us: 20022972 and NORB-SP039

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Dear Sir / Madam

I am writing on behalf of the Water Management Alliance consortium of Internal Drainage Boards to inform the Examining Authority of an agreement between ourselves and Royal Haskoning DHV (the applicant's agent) regarding our previous comments on the further written questions and requests for information (specifically Q2.15.0.1). We previously wrote (dated 05/03/2020) requesting assurance that the WMA Member Board's Byelaws (specifically Byelaws 3 and 28 of the Broads 2006 Internal Drainage Board and the Norfolk Rivers Internal Drainage Board) had been considered and were safeguarded within Schedule 17.

The applicant's agent has confirmed that they perceived the highlighted Byelaws to be covered by DCO Schedule 17 Part 7, specifically through paragraph 71(3)(c). The explanation was that the applicant's agent perceived that in view of the definition of "drainage work" (paragraph 70(b)), paragraph 71(3)(c) is thought to be wide enough to also cover the future protection of watercourses through 'reasonable requirements' and would therefore cover byelaw 28. Through additional correspondence with the applicant's agent we have further agreed that the following changes to the Draft DCO will be submitted. These changes would assure us that the WMA Member Board's Byelaws (specifically Byelaws 3 and 28 of the Broads 2006 Internal Drainage Board and the Norfolk Rivers Internal Drainage Board) had been considered and are safeguarded within Schedule 17:

 Schedule 17 Part 7, 70(c) of the DCO is to be amended to read as follows (amendment underlined)

'affect any drainage work or the <u>total volume or</u> volumetric rate of flow of water in or flowing to or from any drainage work'

We are pleased that we could reach such an agreeable understanding and look forwards to future communications. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any further information.

Kind Regards,

Yvonne Yvonne Smith Sustainable Development Officer Water Management Alliance



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