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Subject: Norfolk Boreas Examination Revised Timetable – EN010087 (withdrawal of NNDC request for extension to examination timetable)

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Dear Norfolk Boreas Case Team,

RE: Norfolk Boreas Examination Revised Timetable (withdrawal of request for extension to examination timetable)

You may recall that I wrote to the Examining Authority on 26 March 2020 [AS-046] setting out NNDC's concerns about the impact of covid-19 on NNDC resources and the ability for the Council to maintain its active involvement in the Norfolk Boreas Examination process. A three month extension to the process was requested at that time.

Siân Evans as Case Manager for Norfolk Boreas responded on behalf of the ExA setting out that if any submissions are made after the deadline they may be accepted at the discretion of the Examining Authority.

Whilst increased workloads since that request have impacted upon the ability for NNDC to meet the specified revised timetable for Deadline 7, 8 and 9 submissions, in the last week or so, NNDC has been able to progress the delayed submission of its Deadline 7 response [REP7-072] and combined Deadline 8 & 9 response [REP9-059]. I would like to personally thank the ExA for accepting these late submissions.

Today NNDC's response to Deadline 10 (EXQ4) has been provided and both the applicant and NNDC have worked together to complete the final Statement of Common Ground which the applicant shall also be submitting today.

I am pleased to report therefore that significant progress has been made within a short period of time such that it is expected that the only point of significant difference between the Applicant and NNDC relates to Tourism Impacts. However, in respect of this matter NNDC consider that the ExA now have considerable evidence to support and justify the Requirement wording suggested by NNDC at Deadline 2 [REP2-087] (Pages 32/33 – para 14.21) to be able to make a positive recommendation to the SoS for its inclusion within the DCO consent.

Given the progress recently made, NNDC therefore wishes to formally withdraw its request to extend the Norfolk Boreas examination timetable.

Please can you confirm receipt of this email.

Kind Regards

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