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By E-mail only

Dear Sirs,

Re: Norfolk Boreas Development Consent Order

We write further to your letter of 28th April 2021 requesting clarification as to whether National Grid Plc have agreed protective provisions with the Promoter.

We wrote to PINS at Deadline 11 (here) withdrawing the relevant rep and confirming that protective provisions were agreed. Although this was stated to be on behalf of National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc and National Grid Gas Plc not National Grid Plc, so possibly this has generated the confusion.

Minor amendments to the Protective Provisions Agreed with National Grid were then made at Deadline 13 on the 29 July 2021 to align with the position on Norfolk Vanguard. At Deadline 14 (here) we wrote further confirming that the PPs had been agreed, even with the latest clarification changes carried over from the as made Norfolk Vanguard DCO.

The final draft DCO was submitted at Deadline 18 and as these mirror the position in the Deadline 13 DCO in terms of the National Grid Protective Provisions, we can confirm that National Grid Plc (on behalf of National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc and National Grid Gas Plc) have agreed the Protective Provisions included in the Order.

We trust this provides the necessary confirmation to address paragraph 10 of you letter of the 28th April 2021, but please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any further clarification.

Kindly acknowledge receipt.

Yours sincerely

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