

# West Burton C (Gas Fired Generating Station)

The West Burton C (Generating Station) Order

Land to the north of the West Burton B Power Station, Nottinghamshire

**Applicant's Comments on Relevant Representations** 

**Examination Deadline 1** 



**Applicant: EDF Energy (Thermal Generation) Limited** 

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# **GLOSSARY OF ABBREVIATIONS AND DEFINITIONS**

ABBREVIATION	DESCRIPTION	
AIL	Abnormal Indivisible Load - a load that cannot, without undue expense or risk of damage, be divided into two or more loads for the purpose of being carried on a road.	
Applicant	EDF Energy (Thermal Energy) Limited (the Applicant).	
BAT	Best Available Techniques – available techniques which are the best for preventing or minimising emissions and impacts on the environment. BAT is required for operations involving the installation of a facility that carries out industrial processes.	
BDC	Bassetlaw District Council – the local planning authority with jurisdiction over the area within which the West Burton Power Station site and Proposed Development Site (the Site) are situated.	
BPEO	Best Practicable Environmental Option	
BPM	Best Practicable Means – actions undertaken and mitigation measures implemented to ensure that noise levels are minimised to be as low as practicable.	
BS	British Standard – business standards based upon the principles of standardisation recognised inter alia in European Policy.	
CCGT	Combined Cycle Gas Turbine – a CCGT is a combustion plant where a gas turbine is used to generate electricity and the waste heat from the flue-gas of the gas turbine is converted to useful energy in a heat recovery steam generator (HRSG), where it is used to generate steam. The steam then expands in a steam turbine to produce additional electricity.	
CCR	Carbon Capture Ready – a power station is Carbon Capture Ready where it has been demonstrated that: sufficient space is available on or near the site to accommodate carbon capture equipment in the future; retrofitting carbon capture technology is technically feasible; that a suitable area of deep geological storage exists for the storage of captured CO2; transporting CO2 to the storage location is technically feasible and carbon capture and storage is likely to be economically feasible.	
CCS	Carbon Capture and Storage - a technology that enables carbon dioxide, that would otherwise be released to the atmosphere, to be captured and permanently stored. Once carbon dioxide has been captured, it is then compressed and transported, before being permanently stored in deep geological formations, such as depleted oil and gas fields and saline aquifers.	
CCS	The Considerate Constructors Scheme – a non-profit making, independent organisation founded in 1997 by the construction industry to improve its image.	



CD&E	Construction, Demolition and Excavation Waste		
СЕМР	Construction Environmental Management Plan – a plan to outline how a construction project will avoid, minimise or mitigate effects on the environment and surrounding area.		
COSHH	Control of Substances Hazardous to Health – a United Kingdom Statutory Instrument stating general requirements on employers to protect employees and other persons from the hazards of substances used at work by risk assessment.		
CIRIA	Construction Industry Research and Information Association – a member-based research and information organisation dedicated to improvement in all aspects of the construction industry.		
СТМР	Construction Traffic Management Plan - a plan outlining measures to organise and control vehicular movement on a construction site so that vehicles and pedestrians using site routes can move around safely.		
CWTP	Construction Workers Travel Plan – a plan managing and promoting how construction workers travel to a particular area or organisation. It aims at promoting greener, cleaner travel choices and reducing reliance on the private car.		
DCO	A Development Consent Order made by the relevant Secretary of State pursuant to The Planning Act 2008 to authorise a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project. A DCO can incorporate or remove the need for a range of consents which would otherwise be required for a development.		
DCLG	Department of Communities and Local Government – the UK department for communities and local government in England (now the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government).		
DEFRA	Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.		
EA	Environment Agency – a non-departmental public body sponsored by the United Kingdom government's Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA), with responsibilities relating to the protection and enhancement of the environment in England.		
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment – a term used for the assessment of environmental consequences (positive or negative) of a plan, policy, program or project prior to the decision to move forward with the proposed action.		
ELV	Emission Limit Values – emission limit values based on the Best Available Techniques.		
ES	Environmental Statement – a report in which the process and results of an Environment Impact Assessment are documented.		
FBA	Furnace Bottom Ash – the "coarse" ash fraction produced by coal-fired power stations when pulverised fuel is burned at high		



	temperatures and pressures.	
FGD	Flue Gas Desulphurisation – a set of technologies used to remove sulphur dioxide from exhaust flue gases of fossil-fuel power plants.	
HEMP	Handover Environmental Management Plan	
HGV	Heavy Goods Vehicle – vehicles with a gross weight in excess of 3.5 tonnes.	
HRSG	Heat Recovery Steam Generator – an energy recovery heat exchanger that recovers heat from a hot gas stream. It produces steam that can be used in a process (cogeneration) or used to drive a steam turbine (combined cycle).	
IDB	Internal Drainage Boards – a type of operating authority with permissive powers to undertake work to secure clean water drainage and water level management within drainage districts.	
ISMP	Invasive Species Management Plan	
LCC	Lincolnshire County Council – the county council that has jurisdiction over land to the west of the River Trent.	
LWS	Local Wildlife Site	
MMP	Materials Management Plan	
NCC	Nottinghamshire County Council – the county council with jurisdiction over the area within which the West Burton Power Station site and Proposed Development Site (the Site) are situated.	
NPPF	The National Planning Policy Framework was published on 24 July 2018 and replaced the previous NPPF published on 27 March 2012. The NPPF sets out the Government's planning policies for England and how these should be applied in both plan-making and decision-taking. It does not contain any specific policies on Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects but its policies may be taken into account in decisions on DCOs if the Secretary of State considers them to be relevant.	
NPPW	National Planning Policy For Waste	
OCGT	Open Cycle Gas Turbine – a combustion turbine plant fired by gas or liquid fuel to turn a generator rotor that produces electricity.	
PFA	Pulverised Fuel Ash – a by-product of pulverised fuel fired power stations.	
PPE	Personal Protective Equipment	
PWMS	Precautionary Working Method Statement	
PPG	Pollution Prevention Guidelines – a series of documents developed by the Environment Agency for England and Wales, the Northern Ireland Environment Agency (NIEA) for Northern	



	Ireland, and the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) for Scotland. Each PPG is targeted at a particular type of business or activity and covers environmental good practice to minimise pollution.	
SEA/SA	Strategic Environmental Assessment/Sustainability Appraisal - SA is designed to ensure compliance with SEA and as such includes for requirements on environmental decision making such as an opportunity for the public to express their opinion on draft plans (community involvement), take into account significant environmental effects including those on human health, material assets and climatic factors and a full assessment of alternative options and reasons why alternatives have been assessed and why others have not.	
SWMP	Site Waste Management Plan - a SWMP sets out how resources will be managed and waste controlled at all stages during a construction project.	
WBA	West Burton A - the existing coal fired power station within the West Burton Power Station Site, owned and operated by EDF Energy (Thermal Generation) Limited.	
WBB	West Burton B - the existing gas-fired power station, using Combined Cycle Gas Turbine (CCGT) technology, owned and operated by EDF Energy (Thermal Generation) Limited.	
WLDC	West Lindsey District Council – The adjoining local planning authority to where the West Burton Power Station site and Proposed Development site (the Site) are situated.	



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#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 This document (**Document 8.2**) has been prepared on behalf of EDF Energy (Thermal Generation) Limited (the 'Applicant') in respect of its application (the Application) for a Development Consent Order ('DCO') for the West Burton C (WBC) Project (the 'Proposed Development'). The Application was submitted to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy on 30 April 2019 and accepted for examination on 23 May 2019.
- 1.2 The Application seeks a DCO to construct, operate (including maintenance) and decommission a gas-fired electricity generating station with a gross output capacity of up to 299 megawatts (MW), together with associated buildings, structures and plant. The Proposed Development is proposed on land within the boundary of the existing West Burton Power Station site, in Nottinghamshire.
- 1.3 A DCO is required for the Proposed Development as it falls within the definition and thresholds for a 'Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project' (a 'NSIP') under Section 14 and 15(2) of the Planning Act 2008 (the '2008 Act'). The DCO, if made by the Secretary of State, would be known as the West Burton C (Generating Station) Order (the 'Order').
- 1.4 This document sets out the Applicant's comments on the Relevant Representations that were submitted by the Interested Parties to the Secretary of State by the relevant deadline date of 30 August 2019, together with the Applicant's comments on the Additional Submissions accepted at the discretion of the Examining Authority (ExA).
- 1.5 This document has been submitted for Deadline 1 of the Examination.



# 2. Applicant's Comments on Relevant Representations

- 2.1 The Applicant's comments on the Relevant Representations submitted by Interested Parties are set out in Table 2.1 on the following pages of this document.
- 2.2 Table 2.1 includes the reference number for each Relevant Representation, the name of the Interested Party that submitted the Relevant Representation, the full text of the Relevant Representation and the Applicant's comments on each Relevant Representation.



# **Table 2.1 – Applicant's Comments on Relevant Representations**

Ref.	Interested Party	Relevant Representation	Applicant's Comments
RR-001	Anglian Water	Thank for you the opportunity to comment on the West	The Applicant acknowledges the response from Anglian
	Services Ltd	Burton C Power project. Anglian Water is considered to be	Water Services and notes that no further dialogue is deemed
		a statutory consultee for nationally significant infrastructure	necessary and no protective provisions are required in the
		projects as identified in the Planning Act 2008 and	draft DCO.
		associated regulations. The following representations are	
		submitted on behalf of Anglian Water as water undertaker	
		for the above site: Anglian Water is in principle supportive	
		of the above project. Impact on existing assets: There is no	
		existing water infrastructure in Anglian Water's ownership	
		within the boundary of the above project as shown on our	
		asset plans. We are not aware of a need for any	
		requirement for diversion(s) or mitigation to protect existing	
		infrastructure to enable the proposed development.	
		Groundwater sources: As noted in the submitted	
		Environmental Statement (document APP-041) there is an	
		existing borehole known as Humble Carr which is used by	
		Anglian Water to supply potable (clean) water located 2km	
		to the north east of the proposed site. There is 220m of	
		mudstone overlying the aquifer. As such we don't have any	
		concerns relating to implication of the above site for this	
		groundwater source. Protective provisions: Anglian Water	
		normally requests protective provisions specifically for its	
		benefit where existing infrastructure is located within the	
		redline boundary of DCO applications. As set above there	
		is no water infrastructure within the site boundary.	
		Therefore in this instance we are not seeking protective	
		provisions specifically for Anglian Water. Connections to	
		water supply network: Anglian Water is not aware of any	
		requirements made upon them for a connection(s) to the	



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		water supply network for the above project. Should you	
		have any queries relating to this response please let me	
		know.	
RR-002	Canal & River	The Canal & River Trust (the Trust) is the guardian of 2,000	The Applicant acknowledges the response from the Canal
	Trust	miles of historic waterways across England and Wales. The	and River Trust (the Trust).
		Trust is a prescribed consultee and we have already	
		provided a response at the pre-application stage. However	The River Trent falls outside of the Order Limits (APP-022,
		we take this opportunity to state the Trust's position at this	<b>Document 3.5</b> ) and there are no works proposed to the
		stage. The River Trent runs to the east of the West Burton	river. Therefore, there will be no obstruction or impediment to
		Power Station. The Trust does not own the river but is	the navigation of the watercourse. Chapter 12: Flood Risk,
		Navigation Authority and therefore concerned with ensuring	Hydrology and Water Resources of ES Volume I (APP-041,
		that there are no adverse impacts on navigation or	<b>Document 5.2</b> ) has been prepared on this basis.
		navigational safety arising from the proposed development.	Notwithstanding, the Applicant is in dialogue with the Trust
		The River Trent is defined as a freight waterway by the	and an update will be provided in Deadline 2.
		Trust and we are therefore also keen to promote the use of	
		the waterway for the sustainable transportation of freight.	
		Protective Provisions The development boundary extends	
		up close to the River Trent. The Trust has responsibilities to	
		maintain Navigation upon the river as part of our role as	
		Navigation Authority, and we advise that any works on site	
		should seek to avoid damage to the river structure to a	
		degree that could impede navigation. Given the proximity of	
		works to the River Trent, we request that a future Development Consent Order (DCO) should include	
		provisions for the protection of the Trust in our role as	
		Navigation Authority. We note that the draft DCO includes	
		protective provisions within schedule 4 for the protection of	
		electricity and water undertakers. We request that	
		protective provisions in relation to the Trust are included.	
		The Trust has standard provisions which have been	
		included in a number of DCOs which have recently been	



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Nei.	interested Farty	confirmed.  Water Abstraction/Discharge The Trust has previously commented on the potential for any alterations to the existing abstraction and discharge rates of water from the River Trent to impact upon navigation. We note that the submitted information states that no alterations to the discharge to the River Trent, nor	The Proposed Development does not include any new outfalls and the proposed abstraction and drainage systems would connect into the existing West Burton A and West Burton B system. As confirmed in Chapter 12: Flood Risk, Hydrology and Water Resources of ES Volume I (APP-041,
		any alterations to any existing water abstraction from the Trent, are sought. In the event that any alteration to these arrangements is required, the Trust would wish to be consulted further to ensure that the impact to navigational safety can be fully assessed.	<b>Document 5.2</b> ), any alteration to the current abstraction volume would be 'minor' and carried out within the existing licence capacity. There would be no new abstraction or drainage connections to the river which could affect navigation.
		Freight The use of the waterway for the transportation of waterborne freight, especially bulk materials and abnormal loads is a form of sustainable transport which can help in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and reduce congestion on the local highway network. Efforts to mitigate against the adverse impacts of traffic are promoted by paragraph 102 of the National Planning Policy Framework and in, in the case of larger loads, in the governments water preferred policy for the movement of abnormal loads. Correspondence from the Department for Transport to PINS highlights the policy position for the movement of abnormal indivisible loads by water, and the advisory role of	Paragraph 1.8.1 of the Framework Construction Transport Management Plan (CTMP) (APP-140, Document 7.6) clarifies that the appointed contractor will review options for the use of rail and water when sourcing construction materials. This is not limited to Abnormal Indivisible Loads. Paragraph 3.1.7 of the CTMP relates to consultation on traffic routing for Abnormal Indivisible Loads using the road network. Given the focus and content of the CTMP (the movement of transport by road), the Applicant does not consider it appropriate to consult the Trust in that context. If it is considered, in consultation with Highways England and
		abnormal indivisible loads by water, and the advisory role of Highways England. https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/wpp_letter.pdf We note that the submitted 'Framework Construction Traffic Management	the highways authority, that waterbourne freight should be utilised, the Trust would be consulted at that time to ensure the necessary consents are in place to use the watercourse for transportation. This will be made clear in an update to the CTMP.



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rei.	Interested Party	Plan' (FCTMP) dated April 2019 identifies measures to manage HGV traffic associated with the construction of the proposal. However, it does not identify whether the River Trent can be used to transport general materials to and from the site. We respectfully request that appropriate consideration is given as to whether waterbourne freight can be utilised as a viable option to provide deliveries to and from site (not just limited to the transport of abnormal loads) in order to limit the HGV movements necessary. We welcome the recognition in section 3 of the FCTMP that the River Trent could be utilised for the transport of abnormal loads to and from site. As Harbour and Navigation authority for the River Trent, the Trust would be able and willing to work with the applicant and advise how abnormal loads could be transported by river to site. We do note that paragraph 3.1.7 does not identify that the Trust would be consulted upon the plan for delivery of Abnormal Indivisible Loads. We respectfully request that the Trust is included in the Management Plan to ensure that the potential for transport by river is fully assessed and taken into account.	It is not possible to commit to the use of rail or water-borne transport at this time, because it is not certain where materials required for the construction of the Proposed Development would be sourced from. It is likely that this would not be known with certainty until after a DCO is secured and a contractor is appointed. However, the Applicant is committed to reviewing the viability of transporting materials by sustainable modes of transport during the construction of the Proposed Development. This is proposed to be secured through Requirement 17: Construction Traffic and Routing Management Plan of the draft Development Consent Order (APP-004, Document 2.1). The Applicant wrote to the Trust on 1 October 2019 in response to the Trust's Relevant Representation. That correspondence confirmed that the Applicant had considered the Trust's request that their 'standard' protective provisions be included in an updated draft Development Consent Order. The Applicant explained in its response that, due to the very limited effect that the Proposed Development would have on the River Trent and the much more limited effect it would have on the waterway when compared with other schemes where the Trust's protective provisions had been used, there is no basis upon which the standard protective provisions would be considered necessary. The Applicant offered to include the Trust as a consultee under the surface and foul water drainage scheme secured by Requirement 9: Surface and foul water drainage of the draft Development Consent Order.
			The Trust has since responded with a suggested set of



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			protective provisions which are more limited in scope. Notwithstanding the more limited scope, the Applicant maintains its position that protective provisions for the Trust are not appropriate in the context of the Proposed Development. The Applicant is meeting with the Trust on 22 November 2019 and an update will be provided to the ExA via Deadline 2.
RR-003	Environment Agency	Please find below our relevant representation for the West Burton C (Gas Fired Generating Station). The Role of the Environment Agency The Environment Agency has a responsibility for protecting and improving the environment, as well as contributing to sustainable development. We have three main roles: We are an environmental regulator — we take a risk-based approach and target our effort to maintain and improve environmental standards and to minimise unnecessary burdens on business. We issue a range of permits and consents. We are an environmental operator — we are a national organisation that operates locally. We work with people and communities across England to protect and improve the environment in and integrated way. We provide a vital incident response capability. We are an environmental advisor — we compile and assess the best available evidence and use this to report on the state of the environment. We use our own monitoring information and that of others to inform this activity. We provide technical information and advice to national and local governments to support their roles in policy and decision-making. One of our specific functions is as a Flood Risk Management Authority. We have a general supervisory duty relating to specific flood risk management matters in respect of flood risk arising from Main Rivers or	The Environment Agency provided an updated response dated 18th September 2019 to reflect the latest information and which the Examining Authority accepted as an Additional Submission.  The Applicant's response to the Environment Agency is provided against its Additional Submission in Table 3.1 of this document.



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		the sea. Outstanding information and issues of concern Our	
		relevant representation outlines where further work,	
		clarification or mitigation is required to ensure that the	
		proposal has no detrimental impact on the environment.	
		For the Inspectors information, we have been provided with	
		a draft Statement of Common Ground from the applicant.	
		Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any	
		further information. We look forward to continuing to work	
		with the applicant to resolve the outstanding issues	
		provided in our Relevant Representation and to ensure the	
		best environmental outcome for this project.	
RR-004	Historic England	We are a Statutory Consultee and have been engaged in	The Applicant acknowledges the response from Historic
	(HBMCE)	pre application discussions with the applicant and their	England. No further dialogue is deemed necessary.
		agents and we previously advised the Planning	
		Inspectorate with regard to the scope of EIA.	Reference should be made to the agreed Statement of
			Common Ground ( <b>Document 8.7</b> ), also submitted at
		This is a large new structure but when set against the	Deadline 1. The SoCG acknowledges that the Applicant is
		existing West Burton A and B Stations it represents a	committed to fostering and maintaining a close working
		limited additional presence in the landscape. There is as	relationship with the local community and will consider
		acknowledged in the ES some additional impact upon the	opportunity to widen the current community engagement
		landscape setting of designated heritage assets at Bole	programme to include heritage assets. However, this would
		(GII Listed Manor House and GII Listed Church of St	sit outside the DCO process as it is not considered
		Martin) and the Scheduled West Burton Deserted Medieval	necessary to make the Proposed Development acceptable in
		Village but the additional presence provided by West	planning terms.
		Burton C is limited.	
		We halious direct analysis lines at the base	
		We believe direct archaeological impacts have been	
		sufficiently covered in the Environmental Statement.	
		Overall the proposed development will add to the	
		landscape impact of power generation on the three	



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		designated heritage assets discussed above and as such we would urge the applicants to seek opportunities whereby they can financially support the local community in the physical conservation of heritage assets and the reinforcement of historic landscape character in the immediate area.	
		We do not be oppose the grant of a DCO on this project and would be happy to look at a closely focused SoCG (and difference) in due course if that would be of assistance to the Examining Authority.	
RR-005	Natural England	Natural England's main points with regard to this application relate to the potential impact on the ecology of the site and in particular the assessment and mitigation of impacts on European protected species. Natural England acknowledges that since the submission of our response (16/10/2019) to the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) the concerns that we raised have been addressed in the submitted documents. The Ecology report (Chapter 9) identifies key biodiversity enhancement proposals and further detail is given in the Landscaping and Biodiversity Management and Enhancement Plan. In particular these documents provide details on the restoration and enhancement of habitat for great crested newts. We also note that additional protected species surveys have been submitted.  Natural England has indicated that a Statement of Common Ground would be an appropriate method to set out the matters that can be agreed between the applicant and ourselves and this is currently being prepared.	The Applicant acknowledges the response from Natural England.  Reference should be made to the agreed Statement of Common Ground (Document 8.6), also submitted at Deadline 1. The agreed SoCG sets out matters agreed between the Parties.



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RR-006	Public Health England	The applicants have also indicated that they will approach Natural England with the draft European Protected Species Mitigation licence application for great crested newt for their protection during construction which we will review during the DCO examination period and if appropriate provide a letter of no impediment (LONI).  Thank you for your consultation regarding the above development. Public Health England (PHE) welcomes the opportunity to comment on your proposals at this stage of the project and can confirm that: With respect to Registration of Interest documentation, we are reassured	The draft European Protected Species Mitigation licence application was submitted to Natural England via the Presubmission Screening Service on 9 September 2019. This has been accepted by Natural England and is currently progressing through the Natural England review process.  The Applicant notes that earlier comments from Public Health England have been addressed and that the Environmental Statement has not identified any issues which could significantly affect public health. The Applicant notes that no further dialogue is deemed necessary.
		that earlier comments raised by us at the scoping stage on 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2017 have been addressed. In addition, we acknowledge that the Environmental Statement (ES) has not identified any issues which could significantly affect public health. We are satisfied with the methodology used to undertake the environmental assessment. We have no additional comments to make at this stage and can confirm that we have chosen NOT to register an interest with the Planning Inspectorate on this occasion. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.	that no further dialogue is deemed necessary.
RR-007	Bawtry Town Council	Bawtry Town Council would like to comment and reiterate the concerns of the DMBC conservation officer i.e. whether any additional noise and traffic generated by the development would have an incremental adverse impact on the historic character of the Bawtry conservation area given the A631 from Gainsborough joins the Great North Road in the town. We would raise issue with any potential increase in traffic traffic during the construction phase. This is	The Applicant notes the concerns of Bawtry Town Council.  The Applicant undertook consultation with Doncaster Council (i.e. the host authority of Bawtry Town Council) to agree the scope of the Transport Assessment, including the assessment required for the A631 Bawtry Road/A638 junction. This was based upon worst-case assumptions, including a peak of construction lasting up to 3 months (over



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Ref. Inter	expected to peak at 350 two-way mover during months 25-27, 112 of these being months 18-30. There is no vehicle routing in application states that no further quantitativ analysis is required "as the figures are below threshholds indicated in published guidance however cause problems in Bawtry, depending this significant amount of HGVs go.	the anticipated 3 year construction period) and assignment of up to 26 and 34 construction worker vehicles over the AM and PM peak periods respectively, with up to 4 HGVs inbound/outbound in any one hour forecast. Doncaster the screening ce". This could modelling of the A631/A638 junction in Bawtry was required



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		In the absence of a traffic routing analysis, we would have concerns with an approval of this development.	set at +1 dB). Given that traffic flows associated with the Proposed Development at the A631/A638 Bawtry Junction would be lower than those flows at the affected roads within the scope of the TA, it follows that the BNL change at the A631/A638 Bawtry Junction and within the wider Bawtry Conservation Area would also be classified as not significant. An incremental adverse impact on the historic character of the Bawtry Conservation Area as a consequence of the Proposed Development would therefore not be considered likely.  A traffic routing analysis and junction capacity assessments for the junctions, agreed to be within the scope of the assessment, are provided within Section 5 and Section 9 respectively of Appendix 7A: Transport Assessment (APP-052, Document 5.2). Construction worker routing is illustrated in Appendix E of Appendix 7A: Transport Assessment (APP-052, Document 5.2). An HGV routing plan is provided as Figure 2 of the Framework Construction Transport Management Plan (CTMP) (APP-140, Document
RR-008	Doncaster Council	Thank you for notifying Doncaster Council of the application for Development Consent for the West Burton C Power Station. In order to make the following comments, consultation has taken place with colleagues in Air Quality, Contaminated Land, Ecology, Environmental Health, Highways and Transportation and Conservation. Ward Members and the Town Council for Bawtry have also been consulted, although no comments have been received directly.	7.6).  The Applicant acknowledges the response from Doncaster Council.  As explained under the Applicant's response to Bawtry Town Council (RR-007) in this table, Doncaster Council agreed in July 2017 that no further assessment or modelling of the A631/A638 Bawtry Junction in Bawtry was required within the Transport Assessment (TA) presented as Appendix 6A of Volume II of the Environmental Statement (ES) (APP-051, Document 5.2).



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		Environmental Health The distance to the closest Doncaster Borough residents is such that noise and vibration would not be an issue. The	



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		comments in my correspondence dated 26th April 2019 and	
		14th May 2019 also remain relevant and I should be	
DD 000	Name of Second	grateful if this could be taken into consideration.	The Applicant colored drop the property from Newsyll and
RR-009	Newark and Sherwood District	Dear Sir/Madam Town and Country Planning Act 1990 –	The Applicant acknowledges the response from Newark and
	Council	Planning Consultation Proposed Works: Application for development consent order to construct, operate and	Sherwood District Council and notes that no further dialogue is deemed necessary.
	Council	decommission an open cycle gas-fired electricity	is deemed necessary.
		generating power station Site Address: West Burton C	
		Power Station, Sturton Road, Retford. Applicant: EDF	
		Energy Application Reference: 19/01219/NPA	
		I refer to the above consultation received by this Authority	
		on 1st July 2019 in relation to the above application. The	
		site is located approximately 13km metres to the north of	
		the boundary with Newark & Sherwood District Council and	
		as such it is considered unlikely that the proposal would	
		result in any direct impact on the settlements or landscape within the District.	
		Following consultation with colleagues in Environmental	
		Health, I can advise you that Newark & Sherwood District	
		Council wish to make the following comments; In relation to	
		air quality the applicant has modelled the proposed effects	
		both during construction and operational phases and in	
		both cases the impact on air quality is describes as not	
		significant. Environmental Health do not have the software	
		or expertise to verify the model outputs, however the site will operate under an Environment Agency permit to control	
		emissions and as such will have to use best available	
		techniques. As such I have no adverse comments to make	
		in relation to air quality.	



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		Other than highlighting the comments above, I have no other observations to make in relation to the proposed application for development consent order to construct, operate and decommission an open cycle gas-fired electricity generating power station.	
		Please note that this matter has not been formally reported to the District Council's Planning Committee. In these circumstances the comments are those of an Officer of the Council under delegated power arrangements.	
		Yours faithfully, pp. Matt Lamb Business Manager for Growth and Regeneration Development Business Unit.	
RR-010	North and South Wheatley Parish Council	North and South Wheatley PC on behalf of its residents have concerns regarding the following:	The Applicant acknowledges the response from North and South Wheatley Parish Council. A response to each item is provided below.
		[1] Contractor traffic using the village lanes as rat runs to get to the Power Station during the construction phase [3] Increase in HGV traffic through the village	Applicant's Response to Items 1 and 3  Construction worker routing is illustrated in Appendix E of Appendix 7A: Transport Assessment (APP-052, Document 5.2). An HGV routing plan is provided as Figure 2 of the CTMP (APP-140, Document 7.6).
			Appendix 7A: Transport Assessment (APP-052, Document 5.2) assumes that a percentage of the construction workforce may come from the Worksop/Retford catchment area west of Site and therefore use the A620, which passes through North and South Wheatley. At the peak of construction, 20 of the 318 vehicles travelling to/from the north on C2 Sturton Road are assumed to distribute to/from



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			the A620 Gainsborough Road. These are worker vehicles only using route 2 (green) in Annex E of Appendix 7A: Transport Assessment, as the A620 Gainsborough Road is not permitted for HGVs.
			The Transport Assessment also assumes that a percentage of the construction workforce may come from the Newark on Trent catchment area south of Site and therefore travel to Site from the south via the A57, turning right onto Laneham Road and continuing straight onto Gainsborough Road, having passed through the villages of South Leverton and Treswell. At the peak of construction, 20 of the 338 vehicles travelling to/from the Site are assumed to enter/depart from the south. These are worker vehicles only using route 5 (brown) in Annex E of Appendix 7A: Transport Assessment) as no HGVs are permitted to travel to/from Site using roads to the south of the power station entrance.
			In order to reduce the impact of construction worker's traffic, a range of measures are provided in the Framework CWTP (APP-140, Document 7.6), which the contractor would be required to consider in producing their Travel Plan - construction staff, secured by Requirement 18 of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1). This includes, for example, contractors being encouraged to provide minibuses for transporting their workers from the key points of construction worker origin to the Site. This would have the benefit of reducing the number of vehicular trips on the local road network.



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Ref.	Interested Party	[2] Contractor traffic speeding through the village	Applicant's Comments  Applicant's Response to Item 2  Speed controls are ultimately governed by the police force. However, the Applicant is committed to reducing the impact of construction worker's traffic, secured through the Travel Plan for construction workers in Requirement 18 of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1) and the appointment of a Travel Plan Co-ordinator (TPC). The TPC would be responsible for engaging with local stakeholders (including Nottinghamshire County Council and local residents) regarding the arrangements for and any issues with construction worker traffic. The Applicant is confident that
		<ul><li>[4] Damage to trees / verges during the construction phase / bringing in large pieces if kit</li><li>[5] Damage to roads / increase in pot holes etc</li></ul>	any issues with contractor traffic speeding, if such issues were to arise, would be identified and addressed through the role of the TPC to the extent that would be reasonably within their powers.  Applicant's Response to Items 4 and 5  Concerns regarding damage to trees, verges and road due to the need to deliver Abnormal Indivisible Loads (AILs) to site are noted by the Applicant.
			A small number of AlLs may be generated by the construction of the Proposed Development, which will need a special strategy for delivery. An assessment of AlL routes is provided in the Framework CWTP (APP-141, Document 7.6) which the contractor would be required to consider in producing their construction traffic routing and management plan. Paragraph 3.5.2 of APP-140, Document 7.6 confirms that details of the routing strategy and procedures for the notification (to Nottinghamshire County Council (NCC) and Highways England AlL officer) and conveyance of AlL,



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			including agreed routes, the number of abnormal loads to be delivered by road and measures to mitigate traffic impact will be set out in a Traffic and Routing Management Plan. Requirement 17 of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1) requires the submission of this plan to Highways England, the highway authority (NCC), Lincolnshire County Council and West Lindsey District Council and approval by the relevant planning authority, Bassetlaw District Council.
			In addition to the AIL strategy, Requirement 17 of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1) requires that the submitted plan must include any necessary measures for the temporary protection of carriageway surfaces, the protection of statutory undertakers' plant and equipment and any temporary removal of street furniture.
			As noted in paragraph 2.5.2 of the Framework CWTP (APP-140, Document 7.6), residents will be updated on the construction of the Proposed Development via a regular update bulletin posted on the Applicant's website and on the Sturton Ward website if they elect to host this. This will include information on the timing and routing of AIL deliveries and a 24-hour contact name and number for members of the public to contact should they have any issues regarding construction traffic.
		[6] The PC would like to encourage the use of local labour during construction and operation since Cottam Power station will be decommissioned with the loss of jobs.	Applicant's Response to Item 6  Construction - Chapter 13 (paragraph 13.6.4) of ES Volume I (APP-042, Document 5.2) states that the Proposed Development is anticipated to create an average of approximately 95 temporary construction jobs, with an



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			assumed peak of circa 200 workers per day. It is estimated that approximately 66 people from within the Worksop and Retford travel to work area (TTWA) could benefit from working at the Proposed Development during the construction phase (i.e. the local labour force). It is, however, recognised that the appointed contractor(s) may require specialist support or support from their wider supply chain, which would necessitate additional personnel to be employed form outside the Worksop and Retford TTWA.  The Applicant is committed to encouraging employment, skills and training development opportunities for local residents during the construction phase. This commitment is secured by Requirement 25 of the draft Development Consent Order (APP-004, Document 2.1).
			Operation - Chapter 13 confirms that the Proposed Development is anticipated to create up to 15 operational roles. It is estimated that approximately 10 people from the Worksop and Retford TTWA could benefit from working at the Proposed Development. Some of the roles are expected to be undertaken by existing West Burton/Cottam Power Station employees. Temporary and contractor employees associated with maintenance activities would also be employed as required.
RR-011	North Leverton with Habblesthorpe Parish Council	North Leverton Parish Council broadly supports sustainable energy projects but would like local concerns to be addressed i.e.	The Applicant welcomes North Leverton with Habblesthorpe Parish Council's support for sustainable energy projects.
		Traffic management during the construction phase	Management measures are proposed to be secured through requirements of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1) to



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			manage traffic during the construction of the Proposed Development, in respect of both construction workers and construction traffic.
			Requirement 18 of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1) secures the submission and approval of a Travel Plan for construction staff. The Travel Plan will provide aims and measures to promote sustainable travel to the Site by the construction workers, which will be managed and monitored by the appointed Travel Plan Co-ordinator.
			Alongside this, Requirement 17 of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1) secures the submission and approval of a Construction Traffic and Routing Management Plan. This will define measures to manage HGV traffic associated with the construction of the Proposed Development and the routing of such vehicle.
		Use of local labour if possible	Construction - Chapter 13: Socio-economics (paragraph 13.6.4) of ES Volume I (APP-042, Document 5.2) explains that the Proposed Development is anticipated to create an average of approximately 95 temporary construction jobs, with an assumed peak of circa 200 workers per day. It is estimated that approximately 66 people from within the Worksop and Retford travel to work area (TTWA) could benefit from working at the Proposed Development during the construction phase (i.e. the local labour force). It is, however, recognised that the appointed contractor(s) may require specialist support or support from their wider supply chain, which would necessitate additional personnel to be employed form outside the Worksop and Retford TTWA.



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			The Applicant is committed to encouraging employment, skills and training development opportunities for local residents during the construction phase. This commitment is secured by Requirement 25 of the draft Development Consent Order (APP-004, Document 2.1).
			Operation - Chapter 13: Socio-economics explains that the Proposed Development is anticipated to create up to 15 operational roles, of which approximately 10 people from the Worksop and Retford TTWA could benefit from working at the Proposed Development. Some of the roles are expected to be undertaken by existing West Burton/Cottam Power Station employees. Temporary and contractor employees associated with maintenance activities would also be employed as required.
		Management of any flood risk from hardened land under the solar panels.	The Proposed Development does not include proposals for solar panels. On this basis, no further dialogue on this point is deemed necessary.
RR-012	Nottinghamshire County Council - Transport	NCC have reviewed the Transport Assessment and other supporting documents and have the following observations. The findings in the Transport Assessment are accepted, as is the Framework Construction Environmental Management Plan, and Framework Construction Workers Travel Plan. The provisions of which are considered appropriately secured in the Draft Development Consent Order relating to matters including stopping ups, agreements with street authorities, construction management, protection of highway surfaces, construction traffic routing, travel planning, and decommissioning.	The Applicant acknowledges the response from Nottinghamshire County Council on transport related issues and notes that no further dialogue is deemed necessary.  Reference should be made to the agreed Statement of Common Ground ( <b>Document 8.10</b> ) submitted at Deadline 1.



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RR-013	Nottinghamshire	In terms of Ecology, Nottinghamshire County Council is	The Applicant acknowledges the response from
	County Council -	currently working with EDF energy to resolve matters that	Nottinghamshire County Council. The Statement of Common
	Ecology	have been raised by the Natural Environment Manager. It is	Ground has now been agreed between the parties and is
		anticipated that these matters will be resolved and the	contained at <b>Document 8.10</b> as part of the Deadline 1
		Statement of Common Ground Agreed.	submission.
RR-014	South Leverton	South Leverton PC on behalf of its residents have concerns	The Applicant acknowledges the response from South
	Parish Council	regarding the following:-	Leverton Parish Council. The content of the response under
		[41 Contractor treffic union the village laws of the village laws	Items 1 to 6 is a duplication of the response from North and
		[1] Contractor traffic using the village lanes as rat runs to	South Wheatley Parish Council (RR-010) and the Applicant's
		get to the Power Station during the construction phase	comments are provided against that RR in this table.
		[2] Contractor traffic speeding through the village	South Leverton Parish Council has raised a separate issue,
		[2] Contractor trains operating through the vinage	requesting a strategic overview of all projects which could
		[3] Increase in HGV traffic through the village	impact the village, and the Applicant's comments on this is
		[1]	provided below.
		[4] Damage to trees / verges during the construction phase	'
		/ bringing in large pieces if kit	
		[5] Damage to roads / increase in pot holes etc	
		[6] The PC would like to encourage the use of local labour	
		during construction and operation since Cottam Power	
		station will be decommissioned with the loss of jobs.	Annligant's Pagnance to Itam 7
		[7] The PC would like a strategic overview of all projects	Applicant's Response to Item 7 Chapter 16: Cumulative and Combined Effects of Volume I of
		which may impact the village - not just this one i.e. Cottam	the ES (APP-045, Document 5.2) assesses all relevant
		Power station decommission and new projects / Tarmac	committed developments within the study area for each
		quarry. If they were all to come on stream at similar times it	subject area, including ID1 – quarry access road and wider
		could have a massive impact on a small rural community.	mineral extraction site authorised by Nottinghamshire
		Total Tara Carriagory of Impact of a critical continuing.	County Council (16/00354/CDM).
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			Taking into account the mitigation measures described for other committed developments, such as the quarry, in Chapter 16: Cumulative and Combined Effects, and those reported in the technical chapters 6 – 15 of the ES for the Proposed Development, no significant residual cumulative effects are anticipated.
			The likely closure of Cottam Power Station has been acknowledged in Chapter 13: Socio-economic Effects of the ES (APP-042, Document 5.2). Chapter 13 explains that some of the 15 operational roles for the Proposed Development are likely to be met by current workers at Cottam/West Burton Power Stations and notes that the Proposed Development would generate employment during the construction phase, contributing to sustainability of employment of current workers at the West Burton and/or Cottam Power Station sites.
			In accordance with the Planning Inspectorate's Advice Note 17 (August 2019 - Version 2), the Applicant continues to review the list of developments which may give rise to cumulative effects. In September 2019, the Planning Inspectorate's National Infrastructure Planning website, together with the planning portals of Bassetlaw District Council, West Lindsey District Council and Nottinghamshire County Council were searched for relevant applications made. No new planning applications likely to result in cumulative effects with the Proposed Development have been identified.
RR-015	Sturton-le-Steeple Parish Council	Sturton-le-Steeple PC on behalf of its residents have concerns regarding the following:-	The Applicant acknowledges the response from Sturton-le- Steeple Parish Council.



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		<ul> <li>[1] Contractor traffic using the village lanes as rat runs to get to the Power Station during the construction phase</li> <li>[2] Contractor traffic speeding through the village</li> <li>[3] Increase in HGV traffic through the village</li> </ul>	The content of the response is a duplication of the response from North and South Wheatley Parish Council (RR-010) and South Leverton Parish Council (RR-014). The Applicant's response to Items 1 to 6 are provided against no. 10 in this table and Item 7 against no. 11 in this table, to avoid repetition.
		[4] Damage to trees / verges during the construction phase / bringing in large pieces if kit	
		[5] Damage to roads / increase in pot holes etc	
		[6] The PC would like to encourage the use of local labour during construction and operation since Cottam Power station will be decommissioned with the loss of jobs	
		[7] The PC would like a strategic overview of all projects which may impact the village - not just this one i.e. Cottam Power station decommission and new projects / Tarmac quarry. If they were all to come on stream at similar times it could have a massive impact on a small rural community.	
RR-016	West Lindsey District Council	As a neighbouring authority West Lindsey we will be making comments on the scale of impact of the development on West Lindsey. This will primarily focus on Visual Impact, Heritage Impact, Highways Impact and Noise.	The Applicant acknowledges the response from West Lindsey District Council. The Applicant will provide a full response to WLDC's Written Representation required at Deadline 2, which is anticipated to include further detail on the Council's focus of issues.
			Notwithstanding, reference should be made to the agreed Statement of Common Ground ( <b>Document 8.9</b> ), also submitted at Deadline 1.



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RR-017	Councillor James Naish on behalf of Sturton Ward, Bassetlaw District	PROPOSALS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF WEST BURTON C (EN010088): THE FORMAL RESPONSE FROM BOLE VILLAGERS	The Applicant acknowledges the response from Bole villagers and thanks Councillor Naish for gathering and collating comments from residents.
	Council	1. BACKGROUND On Wednesday 12th June 2019, there was a public consultation in the village of Bole about EDF Energy's proposal to develop a new gas-fired electricity generating power station within the boundary of the existing West Burton power station site, near Gainsborough, Lincolnshire. EDF Energy's application was submitted to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy – via the Planning Inspectorate – on 30th April 2019 and accepted for examination on 23rd May 2019.  2. EDF ENERGY'S PROPOSAL EDF Energy is seeking permission to construct, operate and decommission an open cycle gas-fired electricity generating power station with a gross output capacity of up to 299 megawatts (MW), together with associated buildings, structures and plant. The principal components of the proposed development include: a. the power station; b. gas supply connection works, a gas receiving area, gas treatment and control facilities, compression station, and gas pipeline from the existing West Burton B gas receiving facility and to the gas turbine; c. electrical connection to an existing 400kV switchyard within WBB, with an extension to the existing switchyard; d. auxiliary buildings, structures and equipment, including: i. above ground water storage tanks and associated infrastructure; ii. storm water attenuation system or similar; iii. internal access roads and car parking; iv.	The Applicant continues to engage with the parish, through Councillor James Naish, and a further update will be included in the Deadline 2 submission. However, the following updates are provided below.
		open cycle gas-fired electricity generating power station with a gross output capacity of up to 299 megawatts (MW), together with associated buildings, structures and plant. The principal components of the proposed development include: a. the power station; b. gas supply connection works, a gas receiving area, gas treatment and control facilities, compression station, and gas pipeline from the existing West Burton B gas receiving facility and to the gas turbine; c. electrical connection to an existing 400kV switchyard within WBB, with an extension to the existing switchyard; d. auxiliary buildings, structures and equipment, including: i. above ground water storage tanks and associated infrastructure; ii. storm water attenuation system	



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		construction laydown areas and a rail offloading area from	
		the existing rail loop that is present on the West Burton	
		Power Station site; vi. other minor infrastructure and	
		auxiliaries/services; e. a new surface water drainage	
		system; f. water supply and pipeline; g. low voltage	
		electrical, control, metering and other related equipment; h.	
		landscaping and biodiversity management and	
		enhancement area.	
		3. THIS DOCUMENT At the public consultation on	
		Wednesday 12th June 2019, it was agreed that the most	
		effective way of communicating Bole villagers' concerns	
		about EDF Energy's proposal was for individual villagers'	
		responses to be aggregated. James Naish, the District	
		Councillor for Sturton Ward, offered to anonymously gather	
		resident comments and has documented these below.	
		4. BOLE VILLAGERS' RESPONSES TO THE PROPOSAL	
		From the responses, it can be concluded that Bole's	The Environmental Statement considers the effects of the
		residents are generally opposed to the proposed	Proposed Development in conjunction with WBA and WBB
		development of West Burton C by EDF Energy. Typical	Power Station as part of the baseline conditions established
		comments include "totally against any development on the	for the main assessments within Chapters 6-15 of the ES
		West Burton site" and "strongly prefer planning to be	(APP-035 – APP-044, Documents 5.2), as they are existing
		refused". In almost all cases, however, residents provided a	operational facilities in the existing environment.
		balanced response. In the words of one resident: "We	
		understand that extra capacity for generating electricity	
		following closure of coal fired stations will be required, and	
		accept that this application will almost certainly be granted.	
		We do however feel that consideration for local residents	
		and the cumulative impact of the three stations on our	
		environment is most important, and just as important as	



that of flora and fauna and the natural environment." The following themes have been identified as key resident	
volumes observed during the construction of West Burton B (2008-2013) which were perceived to much higher than EDF Energy's projections. Example comments included:  • "Our main concern [is] the increase in traffic during construction";  • "Traffic eg volume and time of day";  • "Traffic increase while under construction" Specific comments about EDF Energy's planning application included the following:  • "The transport reports give figures for the peak months of construction (25 – 27) but what about the 2 years before that when groundworks are being completed – will there not be a continuous stream of HGVs with raw materials such as stone, sand, gravel, cement, tarmac, drainage"  • "Traffic flows should be managed more effectively than last time - there should be no traffic queueing on the main road into the site which is a blind bend and therefore highly dangerous"  all environmental assess transport. The Rochdale App of the Proposed Developm cannot be confirmed when the flexibility is sought to addrest PINS Advice Note 7: Cumula 2018), 'the assessment sincluded:  • "Traffic increase while under construction" Specific comments about EDF Energy's planning application included the following:  • "The transport reposed Developm cannot be confirmed when the flexibility is sought to addrest plus point in the maxim case scenario) and be under significance." For this reason presented in Chapter 7: Traffic (APP-036, Document 5.2) Assessment of ES Volume assessed within the Rochda of Chapter 7: Traffic and Tresults presented in this as earlier assessment years	'Rochdale Envelope' approach in sments, including traffic and oproach is used where the nature ment means that some details the Application is submitted, and ess uncertainty. As explained in ative and Combined Effects (July sould establish those parameters imum adverse effect (the worstertaken accordingly to determine ison, the likely significant effects (ffic and Transport of ES Volume I.) and Appendix 7A: Transport e II (APP-052, Document 7.6) in the peak of construction, are dale Envelope. Paragraph 7.3.19 Transport explains this, i.e. the seessment are representative of and the overall effect of the y be less than that presented, as ed to increase year on year.



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		"Perhaps the railway could be utilised ref the following extract from the site description document APP-032 (Rail Offloading Laydown Area 3.3.14 The rail offloading laydown area is located to the west of the Site, forming part of the rail loop for WBA Power Station. The land is currently unused but could have a concrete pad installed on it to facilitate construction material deliveries, if rail deliveries are a feasible option for the construction contractors to use.)"	It is not possible to commit to the use of rail or water-borne transport at this time, because it is not certain where materials required for the construction of the Proposed Development would be sourced from. It is likely that this would not be known until after a DCO is secured and a contractor is appointed. Notwithstanding this, the Applicant is committed to reviewing the viability of transporting materials by sustainable modes of transport during the construction of the Proposed Development. Paragraph 1.8.1 of the Framework Construction Traffic Management Plan confirms that the appointed contractor will review options for the use of rail and water when sourcing construction materials. This is proposed to be secured through Requirement 17 of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1).
		B. PARKING AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE VILLAGE Another key concern raised by Bole residents is HGV parking which was perceived to be a significant problem during the construction of West Burton B. Example comments about this matter included:  • "The other [problem] is the amount of vehicles that used the old road at the entrance of Bole. If the Power Station want to use timed deliveries they should have parking on their own land"  • "We do not want construction workers parking in the layby at Bole corner. Parking should be provided on site"  • "More consideration should be given to monitoring the use of the lay-bys, perhaps by CCTV, to avoid mis-use"  • "Overnight stays at the entrance to the village which has a	As noted in paragraph 1.8.3 of the Framework CWTP (APP-140, Document 7.6), HGV arrivals, including deliveries, will be managed as far as reasonably practicable, such that they are spread evenly over the day between the hours of 07:00 and 19:00 Monday to Friday (except bank holidays) and 08:00 to 18:00 on Saturday (if required) to avoid on-site congestion. Paragraph 2.1.2 explains that the HGV routing plan will be distributed to all drivers during their induction. It will be a condition of contract between the Applicant and the appointed contractor to ensure that all construction HGV deliveries are instructed to use the designated route to access and egress the construction site. Sanctions will be put in place to deal with non-compliance with the aim of ensuring no repeat events.



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		weight limit and is a public highway so should not really be parked on for any length of time. There was human excrement left on numerous occasions last time. West Burton claimed that the lorry drivers were provided with waiting areas and facilities but I feel that this should be monitored more closely by the security staff that West Burton employ and possibly council officials and the police"  • "Unlike during the last project we would want to see a formal enforceable ban on the use of the layby at the entrance to Bole village as an ad hoc camp for the labour force. We had major issues with noise, litter and filth not only in the layby but also in adjacent fields. Our preference as a village is for the layby to be closed to traffic completely to remove the fly tipping temptation but as this seems to be a lengthy process perhaps a ban on overnight parking could be more rapidly implemented"	Arrangements for parking on-site have been considered and are presented in the Framework CWTP (APP-141, Document 7.7). The Framework CWTP is designed to promote and encourage the use of sustainable transport modes and reduce reliance on the private car by workers during the construction phase of the Proposed Development. The availability of car parking has a major influence on the means of transport people choose for their journeys, and is, therefore, an important measure in promoting sustainable travel to and from the Site.  Paragraph 2.5.1 explains that a parking area would be set aside within the construction laydown area on Site and that in addition, satellite parking may be provided within the West Burton Power Station site and a shuttle system used to transport workers to the construction site.  A responsibility of the Travel Plan Co-ordinator would be to monitoring parking to ensure no off-site parking is undertaken on any public highway leading to the Site, with sanction measures taken against those offending.  It will be a condition of contract between the Applicant and the appointed contractor to ensure that anti-social behaviour policy is adhered to, by both HGV drivers and construction workers. This policy will be reinforced during staff inductions and will include HGV drivers being made aware not to park on the local public highway, with sanctions put in place to deal with non-compliance with the aim of ensuring no repeat events. Full details of the proposed traffic management



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		C. VISUAL, LIGHT, NOISE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS Other concerns raised by local residents included:	measures can be found in the Framework Construction Transport Management Plan (APP-140, Document 7.6). Any further details would be agreed with the local planning authority and highway authority through the discharging of the requirements.
		Visual pollution: "the screening of existing and new build, to reduce the cumulative visual impact, should be seriously considered"; "This will be another blot on the horizon to marr the view. Trees need to be planted to overcome the issue"	The Applicant notes the concerns regarding the visual impact of the existing site, however, controls over effects relating to the existing power stations are not matters for this Application.
			ES Volume I, Chapter 10: Landscape and Visual Amenity (APP-039, Document 5.2) has taken account of the existing WBA and WBB power stations. The contribution made by the existing WBA and WBB power station structures, as well as the effect of existing screening to the representative viewpoints, are provided in Table 10-8: Representative Viewpoints in Chapter 10.
			Paragraph 10.5.3 of Chapter 10 explains the development design, impact avoidance and mitigation measures that have been considered to reduce significant effects relating to visual amenity, including retention and management of existing vegetation along the Site boundary, to ensure its continued presence to aid the screening of low level views into the Site. This has been incorporated into the submitted Landscaping and Biodiversity Management and
			Enhancement Plan (APP-139, Document 7.5) and is proposed to be secured by Requirement 6 of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1).



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			The assessment presented in Chapter 10 concluded that the Proposed Development would result in a significant adverse effect at Viewpoint 4, located at the intersection of Bole Footpaths 3B and 4 and that the effects on visual amenity would be largely due to the tallest structures (stacks).
			Consideration has been given to the ability of landscape planting to screen views at this viewpoint in order to assimilate the Proposed Development into the local landscape. However, due to the size and scale of the stacks (up to 45m), the addition of landscape features such as trees and woodland would not be effective in reducing the effects on visual amenity.
			The proposals for landscape and biodiversity enhancement are set out in the submitted Landscaping and Biodiversity Management and Enhancement Plan (APP-139, Document 7.5) and include the planting of native tree species such as ash, oak, elm, cherry, apple and willow, to replace any trees lost to the Proposed Development and to enhance the green infrastructure network adjacent to the Site. Further detail is provided in paragraphs 5.2.28 – 5.3.2 of the Management and Enhancement Plan, with ongoing maintenance proposals in Appendix C. Planting is proposed along the band of scrub and trees at the northern boundary of Area 4 (Bole Round) illustrated on Figure 9.1 of Volume III of the ES (APP-086, Document 5.2), to the south-east of Bole. New
			groups of trees planted in this area would broaden the existing narrow wooded corridor and provide enhanced habitat connectivity.



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			The Applicant notes the conclusion drawn at paragraph 10.6.14 of the ES Volume I Chapter 10: Landscape and Visual Amenity (APP-039, Document 5.2) that due to the screening effect of intervening vegetation and restrictions placed on lighting by the Lighting Strategy (APP-138, Document 7.4) the effects of night-time lighting at sensitive



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			receptors resulting from the Proposed Development will not significantly increase above current baseline level from WBA and WBB power stations. External lighting controls are proposed to be secured by Requirement 7 of the draft DCO: External lighting (APP-004, Document 2.1).
		Noise pollution: "Working patterns during construction should be limited to 0600 -1800hrs weekdays only to minimise noise and disturbance to the local communities"	An assessment of the effects of construction noise is presented in Chapter 8: Noise and Vibration of Volume I of the Environmental Statement (ES) (APP-037, Document 5.2). In determining the likelihood for significant effects, a quantitative assessment has been undertaken and results compared to construction noise thresholds (limit values) presented in Table 8-8. The construction noise Significant Observed Adverse Effect Level (SOAEL) and Lowest Observable Adverse Effect Level (LOAEL) for relevant time periods (daytime, evenings, night-time and weekends) is set out in this table. As described in paragraph 8.3.22, consideration is given to effects at Noise Sensitive Receptors where it is predicted the LOAEL will be exceeded in order to ensure that any adverse effects are mitigated and minimised.
			Construction activities will be undertaken between 0700 and 1900 hours on Monday to Friday and 0800 and 1800 hours on a Saturday), although some works may take place outside of core working hours, provided they do not exceed a noise limit at locations to be agreed with BDC. This is proposed to be secured by Requirement 19 of the draft DCO: Construction hours (APP-004, Document 2.1).
			As described in paragraphs 8.6.8 - 8.6.10, construction



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			noise effects at all NSR are predicted to be negligible (not significant) during the daytime period, due largely to the distances between the construction works and NSR. It may be necessary for some construction activities to take place continuously over day, evening and night periods during peak construction times of the Proposed Development, although the exact nature of the works is unknown. Effects could be minor adverse (not significant) if work were to take place at the same intensity as assessed for the daytime period during evenings and/or weekends. A range of measures are provided in the Framework CEMP (APP-137, Document 7.3) to control noise and vibration during such periods including:  • abiding by construction noise limits at locations to be agreed with BDC; • ensuring that all appropriate processes are in place to minimise noise before works begin and ensuring that BPM are being achieved throughout the construction programme, including the use of localised screening around significant noise producing plant and activities; • ensuring that modern plant is used, complying with the applicable UK noise emission requirements; • selection of inherently quiet plant where possible; • hydraulic techniques for breaking to be used in preference to percussive techniques where reasonably practicable; • if piling is required, use of lower noise piling (such as rotary bored or hydraulic jacking) rather than driven piling techniques where reasonably practicable;



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			<ul> <li>off-site pre-fabrication where reasonably practicable;</li> <li>all plant and equipment being used for the works to be properly maintained, silenced where appropriate, operated to prevent excessive noise, and switched off when not in use;</li> <li>all contractors to be made familiar with current legislation and the guidance in BS 5228 (Parts 1 and 2) (Ref 8-17 and Ref 8-18), which should form a prerequisite of their appointment;</li> <li>loading and unloading of vehicles, dismantling of site equipment such as scaffolding or moving equipment or materials around the Site, to be conducted in such a manner as to minimise noise generation as far as reasonably practicable;</li> <li>all vehicles used on-Site shall incorporate broadband reversing warning devices as opposed to the typical tonal reversing alarms to minimise noise disturbance where reasonably practicable;</li> <li>appropriate routing of construction traffic on public roads and along access tracks (see Chapter 7: Traffic and Transport);</li> <li>provision of information to BDC and local residents to advise of potential noisy works that are due to take place; and</li> <li>monitoring of noise complaints and reporting to the Applicant for immediate investigation and action.</li> </ul>
		Air pollution: "EDF advertise on TV that they produce clean electricity [but] 8.065 lb of CO2 emissions will be produced for every Mega Watt hour of electricity produced	As the UK moves toward net zero carbon emissions by 2050, a secure low carbon electricity system will be needed to support that transition. Electricity supply and demand must be continuously balanced by National Grid to ensure



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Kei.	Interested Party	by these inefficient turbines. According to IPIECA (ipieca.org), Open Cycle Gas Turbines are only 35-40% efficient in producing electricity"	stable operation of the grid and security of supply to homes, transport and businesses. That means that we need sources of flexible and quickly dispatchable (capable of being scheduled in advance, sometimes at very short notice, to operate, independently of weather conditions) "back up" capacity for those times when the wind doesn't blow or the sun doesn't shine sufficiently and to secure electricity supplies against insufficient availability or failure of other plant. As the proportion of renewable generation increases, due to its intermittency, there is a corresponding requirement for more back up capacity.  Open Cycle Gas Turbines (OCGT), which are proposed for WBC, are well-suited to provide this back up or peaking capacity. They are more flexible than a Combined Cycle Gas Turbine, can be started more quickly when needed, and will run for a limited number of operating hours (and controlled by the Project's Environmental Permit).  The selection of open cycle gas turbine/s, rather than a Combined Cycle Gas Turbine plant is consistent with and recognised to represent Best Available Technique (BAT) for plant operating up to a maximum of 1,500 hours per year on a rolling five year average, as defined by the Environment Agency.  The Applicant has prepared a Greenhouse Gas Emissions Assessment (Appendix 15A of ES Volume II) and this is presented in APP-069, Document 5.2. An operational annual greenhouse gas footprint of the Proposed Development has been calculated, using the Greenhouse



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			Gas Protocol, which provides a methodology for calculating the carbon footprint of a project.  Whilst the UK is moving towards decarbonising the grid, efficient gas fired power stations are required as an important element of the overall transition fuel mix in order to ensure the UK's energy security.
		Missing documentation: "the content of the Badger Survey and Breeding Bird Survey Reports are not available so the proposed actions are not known"; "it doesn't appear that all the responses from previous consultations are included"; "I wasn't sent a USB by EDF despite asking on two occasions"	The Applicant acknowledges the interest from a Bole resident in the Badger Survey Report (confidential Appendix 9D of ES Volume II) and the Breeding Bird Survey Reports presented in Volume II of the ES (APP-056 & APP-061, Document 5.2). The Applicant has followed the advice provided by the Planning Inspectorate which states that information about the presence and locations of rare or sensitive species, where disturbance, damage, persecution or commercial exploitation may result from publication should be marked as 'confidential'. For this reason, the Badger Survey Report (Appendix 9D of ES Volume II) and Figure 9H4 of the Breeding Bird Survey Reports presented in Volume II of the ES (APP-056 & APP-061, Document 5.2) have only been disclosed to certain stakeholders.
		Access to the countryside: "EDF should be asked to arrange suitable alternative arrangements for the local walkers and riders who enjoy the area at the moment and who expect access to be reduced"	The Applicant has identified and assessed the impacts on users of public rights of way (PRoW) including footpaths and bridleways, in the vicinity of the Proposed Development and the wider West Burton Power Station site, on both sides of the River Trent. The northern and southern drainage connection corridor options associated with the Proposed Development, would terminate prior to, and therefore not



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			cross, the designated PRoW (West Burton FP4), which follows the western flood embankment of the River Trent. This PRoW connects with a second PRoW (Bole FP9#1), which branches off the River Trent immediately north of the sewage works and leads in a north-westerly direction, passing around Bole Ings. Access for users of these footpaths will therefore not be affected by construction of the Proposed Development and the routes will remain available for use once the Proposed Development becomes operational.
		5. BOLE VILLAGERS' REQUESTS OF EDF ENERGY Given the proximity of the proposed development to the village of Bole and the presence of two working power stations nearby, we would like residents' needs to be purposefully prioritised as part of planning application EN010088. EDF Energy has already indicated that it plans to work closely with Bole and other local communities to minimise anticipated impacts, and the appointment of a Community Liaison Officer is universally welcomed. It has hoped that this individual will hold EDF Energy to account for promises being made as part of this application. In the interests of open dialogue with EDF Energy, we have compiled a list of small but meaningful actions which we believe EDF Energy can deliver as part of the planned development. These requests are not financially prohibitive for EDF and will make a big difference to lives of Bole	Requirement 24 of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1) proposes to secure the establishment of a Local Liaison Committee prior to the commencement of the authorised development that would be required to liaise with local residents and local organisations on matters relating to the Proposed Development.  The Applicant's website and Sturton Ward website (if they elect to host this) will also host a 24-hour contact name and number for members of the public to contact should they have any issues regarding construction traffic.
		residents if West Burton C goes ahead:  1. We would like EDF Energy to commit to working with relevant local authorities and regulatory bodies to do	Please refer to the Applicant's response above regarding measures proposed in respect of construction traffic.



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		everything within its power to limit, and ideally stop, Bole lay-by being used by construction-related traffic. This should be a top priority from the moment planning is approved, and we would like EDF Energy to commit to throwing its legal expertise behind this matter if needed. We would like this lay-by to be closed permanently if possible.	
		2. To facilitate the above, we would like EDF Energy to commit to providing sufficient parking for all contractor vehicles on site, 24 hours per day. We would like this commitment – and a suitable site to be identified, with appropriate facilities – as part of planning application EN010088. We would also like correct geographical coordinates to be shared with all contractor vehicles, to prevent HGVs getting stuck in Bole village.	Please refer to the Applicant's response above regarding measures proposed in respect of construction traffic.
		3. We would also like EDF Energy to commit to investing in the effective visual screening of all West Burton developments for the village of Bole, including West Burton A and West Burton B. Similar commitments were made when West Burton B was built but these were not — unfortunately — effectively implemented. It would be unacceptable for this to happen again. Bole villagers would like to be consulted about such schemes as early as possible, and for them to be executed before on-site construction at West Burton C begins.	Please refer to the Applicant's response above regarding proposed 'visual pollution'.
		4. There is appetite from Bole villagers to gain access to EDF Energy land east of the village for dog-walking and other recreational purposes. We would like EDF Energy to	The Applicant has responded to the request by Nottinghamshire County Council (NCC) to consider the creation of a number of non-definitive footpaths as definitive



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everything possible to enable access by removing and/or reconstructing fencing near the railway line.	public rights of way with the status of footpath. A number of these routes are within the landscape and biodiversity management and enhancement area shown on Works Plan No 10 (APP-008 – APP-018, Document 3.2). In this area, a number of measures are proposed to mitigate the potential impacts and effects of the Proposed Development on landscape and biodiversity features, and to enhance the biodiversity, landscape and green infrastructure value of the Proposed Development. Details of the measures proposed are provided in the Landscape and Biodiversity Management and Enhancement Plan (APP-139, Document 7.5) and include  • thinning out, diversification and ongoing management of existing areas of scrub habitat;  • management of existing pockets of reedbed to improve their structure and diversity and prevent succession to Carr Woodland;  • botanical enhancement of existing areas of seeded semi-improved neutral grassland to increase the proportion and diversity of wildflowers, with the aim of creating Local Biodiversity Action Plan (LBAP) quality lowland neutral grassland habitat;  • creation of hibernacula and habitat piles using materials generated during site clearance to provide refuge and hibernation opportunities for a range of fauna; and  • new tree planting to compensate for the loss of trees as a consequence of the Proposed Development.  Therefore, although the Applicant is supportive of the use of



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			existing non-definitive PRoW in these area, it is proposed that these footpaths shall be maintained as non-definitive footpaths to prevent increase in human presence, which could impact on wildlife susceptible to disturbance, e.g. grass snakes, breeding birds.
		5. We would like EDF Energy to commit to reversing all plans for weekend work outside the peak construction period. Given the lengthy timescales for the overall build, the time-saving resulting from weekend work is likely to be minimal. Conversely, the impact on local communities will be considerable and should, therefore, be avoided.	In accordance with Requirement 19 of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1), core working hours exclude Sundays and bank holidays, with exceptions only allowed under specified circumstances. This work pattern is consistent with similar projects and work is routinely carried out at both WBA and WBB at weekends.
			Further restricting these hours would correspondingly extend the overall duration of the construction works, with potential impacts on both the commercial viability of the project and its availability to meet the requirements of the electricity market.
			Certain construction and commissioning works may require continuous operations to be carried out, potentially requiring work outside of Core working hours.
		If any of these items cannot be delivered for any reason, in its place, we would like EDF Energy to set-up a community benefit fund or equivalent which ward residents can access in future to:	Planning obligations may only be sought where they are: necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms; directly related to the development; and fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development. The Applicant intends to provide a Community Fund, the detail of
		<ul> <li>Provide, maintain or improve community buildings;</li> <li>Provide community and public transport improvements;</li> <li>Improve digital and mobile connectivity in the local</li> </ul>	which will be confirmed at Deadline 2.



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		<ul> <li>area;</li> <li>Increase access to activities or services for the community within the area of benefit;</li> <li>Encourage skills, employment and improve rural business opportunities and social enterprise;</li> <li>Community owned energy projects;</li> <li>Offer sport, recreation and improved health and wellbeing.</li> </ul>	
		Finally, there are concerns about air pollution in the evenings coming from West Burton B. We would kindly ask EDF Energy to investigate this further and provide assurances that everything is in order.	The Applicant notes the concerns regarding air pollution in the evenings from West Burton B, however, controls over existing emissions are not a matter for this Application.
		6. CLOSING REMARKS The villagers of Bole and the residents of Sturton Ward understand that the area has an important role to play in energy production for the UK; and while we are generally opposed to the development due to the presence of two working power stations on the site, we do not wish to unnecessarily impede EDF Energy's progress. We recognise that the company seeks to actively engage the local community about planned developments and appreciate these endeavours. However, having lived through the development of West Burton B between 2008 and 2013, we know that promises and best endeavours do not always translate into reality. We, therefore, politely ask that this short but important list of asks is openly and fairly	
		considered by EDF Energy as part of its ongoing planning application, and that it will publicly commit to fully meeting these demands in an effort to protect Bole village during and beyond the construction of West Burton C. If so, we	



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		look forward to working closely with EDF Energy employees over the coming months once – as expected – planning application EN010088 is approved.  James Naish, District Councillor for Sturton Ward, on behalf of Bole villagers 29th August 2019.	
RR-018	J John Collins	Of Bole Villagets 29th August 2019.	The Applicant acknowledges the response from Mr J John Collins.
		I am concerned about the increase in lorries and other heavy goods vehicles accessing the site throughout the construction period; particularly the A620 from Retford. This is not an acceptable route for such vehicles. There is a diversion for high vehicles along Smeath Road/lane which has a 7.5 tonnes limit. All traffic accessing the site needs to use the A631 (at the Tickhill junction o the A1 M).	The design and impact avoidance measures that the Applicant is committed to include HGVs arriving or departing the West Burton Power Station site travelling to/from the north via the A620 and onwards to/from the A631 near Beckingham. It is recognised that the A620 towards Retford is not an acceptable route due to a bridge height restriction in place at two locations and it is not proposed that this route be used by construction HGVs.
			Signage is already in place at the West Burton Power Station site entrance directing HGVs north towards the A620. In addition, a routing plan would be provided, which HGV drivers would be required to adhere to, controlled by Requirement 17 of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1). As described in para 2.1.2 of the Framework Construction Transport Management Plan (CTMP) (APP-140, Document 7.6), the HGV routing plan will be distributed to all drivers during their induction. It will be a condition of the contract between the Applicant and the appointed contractor to ensure that all construction HGV deliveries are instructed to use the designated route to access and egress the construction site. Sanctions will be put in place to deal



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			with non-compliance with the aim of ensuring no repeat events.
		Better still. All heavy goods and equipment should be transported directly to the site via rail.	It is not possible to commit to the use of rail or water-borne transport at this time, because it is not certain where materials required for the construction of the Proposed Development would be sourced from. It is likely that this would not be known with certainty until after a DCO is granted and a contractor is appointed. However, the Applicant is committed to reviewing the viability of transporting materials by sustainable modes of transport during the construction of the Proposed Development. This is secured through Requirement 17: Construction Traffic and Routing Management Plan of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1).
RR-019	Julian May	Dear Sir or Madam, with this note I would like to register as an interested party. In my contribution I would like to: show evidence why climate change is a more serious threat then the established views that lead to the current system suggest, the nature of the risk, and how this may and will effect the general public, -brief summary of climate science -effects on society -migration and conflict - potential destabilization of political landscape -water and food, farming -extreme weather eventseffects on the economy -Stern Report -risks - (impact and probability) when it come to human life - precautionary principle - scientific scrutiny and the IPCC have a look at the political Landscape with regards to the power sector, -IPCC recommendations -CCC -Climate Change Act -Climate Emergency and new targets -National Grid ESO - Zero Carbon Operation 2025 show how the necessary transition,	The Applicant acknowledges the response from Mr Julian May.  Section 104(3) of the Planning Act 2008 sets out that decisions on Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects where a National Policy Statement (NPS) has effect must be taken in accordance with the relevant national policy statement except where one or more of subsections (4) to (8) of Section 104 applies.  The Energy NPSs (specifically EN1 and EN2) are clear in stating that the need for new energy infrastructure is not open to debate or interpretation and that the Secretary of State should give substantial weight to the contribution that all developments would make towards satisfying this need.



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			items will be provided by Mr Julian May in his Written
			Representation (required at Deadline 2) and to which the
			Applicant will respond as necessary.
RR-020	Mrs Lisa King	I fully support the proposals put forward by the village of	The Applicant acknowledges the response from Mrs Lisa
		Bole, as collated and submitted on our behalf by Councillor	King. The Applicant's response to Councillor James Naish is
		James Naish of Sturton Ward. I am a resident of Bole and	provided under RR-017 in this table.
		will therefore by impacted by the proposed development of	
		West Burton C.	
RR-021	Mrs Anne Phipps	Open cycle gas turbines are only 35-40% efficient	•
		(ipieca.org) when new. Even less efficient when carbon	2050, a secure low carbon electricity system will be needed
		build up occurs when running. We have a lot of mist and	to support that transition. Electricity supply and demand
		fog in this area. These gas turbines are even less efficient	must be continuously balanced by National Grid to ensure
		in these conditions. The CO2 emissions from a 40MW gas	stable operation of the grid and security of supply to homes,
		turbine, operating at 37% efficiency are 1.079lb/Mwh. EDF	transport and businesses. That means that we need sources
		wishes to produce 299MW so the CO2 emissions would be	of flexible and quickly dispatchable (capable of scheduled in
		greater by 7.475 times. Therefore 8.0655lbs of CO2	advance to operate, sometimes at very short notice,
		emissions would be produced for every Mwh of electricity.	independently of weather conditions) "back up" capacity for
		EDE advantage of TV that the country the largest LIV was tiled	those times when the wind doesn't blow or the sun doesn't
		EDF advertise on TV that they are the largest UK provider	shine sufficiently and to secure electricity supplies against
		of green electricity, why then are they investing in this	insufficient availability or failure of other plant. As the
		environmentally damaging method of electricity production?	proportion of renewable generation increases, due to its
			intermittency, there is a corresponding requirement for more
			back up capacity.
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			The Proposed Development is a gas-fired 'peaking' generation station to provide flexible 'back-up' for intermittent
			renewable energy sources. Open Cycle Gas Turbines
			(OCGTs) are well-suited to provide this 'back up' or peaking
			capacity. They are more flexible than Combined Cycle Gas
			Turbines, can be started more quickly when needed, and
			would run for a limited number of operating hours; controlled
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			by the Project's Environmental Permit.
			The selection of open cycle gas turbine/s, rather than a Combined Cycle Gas Turbine plant is consistent with and recognised to represent Best Available Technique (BAT) for plant operating up to a maximum of 1,500 hours per year on a rolling five year average, as defined by the Environment Agency.
			The Applicant has prepared a Greenhouse Gas Emissions Assessment (Appendix 15A of ES Volume II) and this is presented in <b>APP-069</b> , <b>Document 5.2</b> .
			Whilst the UK is moving towards decarbonising the grid, efficient gas fired power stations are required as an important element of the overall transition fuel mix in order to ensure the UK's energy security.
			Notwithstanding the provision of the GHG emissions assessment, in respect of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, it is not considered necessary for the Applicant, or the ExA as the decision maker, to consider the Proposed Development against carbon emissions. Notably, paragraph 5.2.2 of EN-1 states:
			"Government has determined that CO <sub>2</sub> emissions are not reasons to prohibit the consenting of projects which use these technologies or to impose more restrictions on them in the planning policy framework than are set out in the energy NPSs (e.g. the CCR and, for coal, CCS requirements). Any ES on air emissions will include an assessment of CO <sub>2</sub>



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			emissions The IPC does not, therefore need to assess individual applications in terms of carbon emissions against carbon budgets."
			This has recently been reinforced by the Secretary of State in its Decision Letter on the application for the Drax Power (Generating Stations) Order (paras 4.16-4.17). Notably, the Secretary of State states that whilst 'the amount of greenhouse gases that will be emitted to atmosphere is acknowledged, the policy set out in the relevant NPSs makes clear that this is not a matter that that should displace the presumption in favour of granting consent'.
			The Applicant is the largest producer of low-carbon electricity in the UK. It is investing in new nuclear and renewable generation, including Hinkley Point C, the first new nuclear plant to be built in the UK in over twenty years, and the 450MW Neart Na Goithe offshore wind farm. The Applicant also operates one of Europe's largest battery storage projects at West Burton.
			The Applicant is also helping its customers to use energy more efficiently, reduce their carbon emissions and helping to contribute to providing the flexibility needed for a low carbon energy system.
RR-022	Peter Coomber	I have lived at Sturton Road, Bole for 48pprox 20 years. Recently EDF have made a formal application for development of a new peaking plant.	
		Since 2014 to current date I have suffered a considerable amount of related illnesses which are and have been	



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		investigated by medical professional.	
		Since April 2017, EDF have relied on using renewable gas turbines in replacement of coal generation 'A' plant. I believe that prior to this to this date EDF were using the renewable gas turbines at various times, which I consider relates to my ongoing medical issues. During this time I have started experiencing vibration within my property, which I associate with low frequency sound waves, and/or extra low frequency (ELF), and low magnetic field.	The Applicant notes the comments from Mr Peter Coomber, however, controls over existing matters related to the West Burton Power Station are not a matter for this Application.  The Applicant has undertaken an assessment of noise and vibration effects associated with the Proposed Development. This is presented in <b>Chapter 8</b> : Noise and Vibration of the ES ( <b>APP-037</b> , <b>Document 5.2</b> ).
		EDF and Basset Law Council undertook monitoring, The results of which I disagree with and am challenging. I have contracted the environmental agency with a request to remonitor the frequencies inside and outside my property. We are not expecting a response until the 9 <sup>th</sup> August 2019, , at which time I will be in a better position to make further representation.	As explained in paragraphs 8.3.36 and 8.6.18 of Chapter 8, given the considerable distance to residential receptors, no significant vibration (medium or high magnitude impacts) are expected to result at residential receptors from the proposed construction activities.  Table 4 of the Framework Construction Environmental Management Plant (CEMP) (APP-137, Document 7.3) provided with the Application describes the best practicable means that would be applied to minimise noise and vibration during construction, including ensuring, for example, that where reasonably practicable, noise and vibration is controlled at source (e.g. the selection of inherently quiet plant and low vibration equipment). The final CEMP will be secured by Requirement 15 of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1).
		I also wish to challenge the scoping as it stands; in relation to the transport by my property- 20 meters from the only access road to the station. There have been a widely	The Applicant notes the comment from Mr Peter Coomber. It is assumed that this refers to submitted Chapter 7: Traffic and Transport and Appendix 7A: Transport Assessment



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		varying number of suggested vehicles, predicted in the scoping completed and issued by EDF.  There is a possibility of the quarry at Sturton le Steeple starting up, adding further, considerable, vehicle movement outside my property with possible standing vehicles.	(APP-052, Document 5.2), rather than the EIA Scoping report (Appendix 1A of APP-047, Document 5.2) as no traffic projections were provided in the EIA Scoping Report. Without further details it is difficult to respond to Mr Coomber's concerns. In addition the Applicant would be grateful for clarification if we are incorrect regarding the documents being referred to.
			Chapter 16: Cumulative and Combined Effects of Volume I of the ES (APP-045, Document 5.2) assesses all relevant committed developments within the study area for each discipline, including ID1 – quarry access road and wider mineral extraction site authorised by Nottinghamshire County Council (16/00354/CDM). All information available within the public domain on the proposed quarry was accessed and taken into account (described in paragraph 16.5.10 of ES Volume 1 Chapter 16). The Applicant has continued, throughout the pre-examination period, checking relevant planning portals and sources of information such as the Sturton Ward website for updates on the status of the quarry and no further details have been noted regarding the quarry application.
			Appendix 7A: Transport Assessment (TA) presented in Volume II of the ES (APP-052, Document 5.2) assumed that proposals such as the quarry, as well as a number of other schemes (refer to Section 7 of the Transport Assessment in Appendix 7A of APP-052, Document 5.2), would be implemented prior to construction of the Proposed Development. This means that the traffic flows associated with the quarry development, as well as the other committed



the ensurement of the sense of	velopments, have been assumed to be on the network at a time the Proposed Development is implemented, to sure that the effects of this traffic on the local network all be taken into account in the future year analysis before a traffic generated by the construction of the Proposed evelopment was assessed. The quarry development, if it is a shead, would result in a maximum of 192 two-way
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			effects are anticipated. As such, no off-site highway improvement works are required at any of the off-site junctions to accommodate construction traffic over what is a temporary period.
		This is only a brief outline as there are other possible objections that I have to the overall development and as we are required to summarise this representation I can expand at a later date.	The Applicant acknowledges the additional comments from Mr Peter Coomber and considers that no further dialogue is necessary at this time. The Applicant will respond, as required, to any subsequent representations from Mr Peter Coomber through the relevant examination stages.
		This development has devalued my property to the point that it is virtually unsaleable.  I await the disclose of the consultation papers in September. I am applying for a FOI to Bassett Law District Council and EDF for data relating to the operational	The Applicant sent a full suite of the application documents to Mr Coomber on 6 November 2019, following his request at the Preliminary Meeting (30 October 2019).
DD 000	Victoria Wilson	equipment usage since 2013- current date.	The Applicant actinguidadese the vegges from Mc Vistoria
RR-023	Victoria Wilson	I live at North Wheatley within sight of the Power Station.	The Applicant acknowledges the response from Ms Victoria Wilson and her interest in the Project.
		I live on the side of the A620 meaning much of the construction traffic will come past making me an interested party. I would like to be kept aware of the process as it develops as I feel it will make an impact on me. As it is a large construction within 2 miles of my home I feel I want to be aware of its progess.	In relation to traffic flows on the A620, Appendix 7A: Transport Assessment of the ES Volume II (APP-052, Document 5.2) assumes that a percentage of the construction workforce may come from the Worksop/Retford catchment area west of Site and therefore use the A620, which passes through North and South Wheatley. At the peak of construction, 20 of the 318 vehicles travelling to/from the north on C2 Sturton Road are assumed to distribute to/from the A620 Gainsborough Road. These are worker vehicles only using route 2 (green) as indicated in Annex E of Appendix 7A: Transport Assessment). The A620



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			Gainsborough Road is not permitted for HGVs.
		I am also very interested in how construction effects the biodiversity.	ES Volume 1, Chapter 9: Ecology (APP-038, Document 5.2) provides the assessment of effects of construction on biodiversity and is accompanied by a Landscape and Biodiversity Management and Enhancement Plan (APP-139, Document 7.5) which explains the biodiversity management and enhancement measures the Applicant is proposing.



# 3. Applicant's Comments on any Additional Submissions

- 3.1 The Applicant's comments on the Additional Submissions submitted by Interested Parties are set out in Table 3.1 on the following pages of this document.
- 3.2 Table 3.1 includes the reference number for each of Additional Submission, the name of the Interested Party, the full text of the Additional Submission and the Applicant's comments.



# **Table 3.1 – Applicant's Comments on any Additional Submissions**

Ref.	Interested Party	Additional Submission	Applicant's Comments
AS-001	Highways England	Highways England has been invited to provide comments on the Notice of Acceptance of an Application for a Development Consent Order, in a letter dated 26 June 2019, regarding the proposed West Burton C open cycle gas-fired electricity generating station, located at West Burton Power Station, Retford, DN22 9BL. Highways England previously responded to this proposal in August 2017 following review of a Transport Assessment Scoping Report, raising no objections as the impact on the Strategic Road Network would be negligible. We have now reviewed the Transport Assessment of April 2019 submitted in support of the proposal and as there is no change to the size or use of the development our previous comments remain unchanged.	The Applicant acknowledges the response from Highways England and notes that no further dialogue is deemed necessary.
AS-002	Harlaxton Gas Networks Limited	Thank you for sending the relevant information and material regarding the West Burton C (Gas Fired Generating Station). Harlaxton Gas Networks Ltd. at this time has no assets in this area, and will not be implementing any in the near future, therefore Harlaxton has no comment to make on this project.	The Applicant acknowledges the response from Harlaxton Gas Networks and notes that no further dialogue is deemed necessary.
AS-003	Environment Agency	The Environment Agency issued our Relevant Representation for the West Burton C (Gas Fired Generating Station) NSIP on 28 August 2019 (our letter dated 19 August, reference LT/2019/124504/01- L01). We would like to	The Applicant acknowledges the response from the Environment Agency.



update the Inspector with the latest information we have regarding the Permit Variation application. To this end we have revised some of the wording under the heading EPR/CP3035MK West Burton C Permit variation Application - September 2019 and provided an updated response (letter dated 18 September 2019, attached). All the other comments we previously made remain valid and are reproduced in this latest letter. We would appreciate confirmation of receipt of this email and apologise for any inconvenience caused.

The Environment Agency has undertaken significant pre application work with the applicant and their consultants.

#### Flood risk

The submitted Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) confirms that all of the proposed development site lies within Flood Zone 1, the area of land deemed at least risk of flooding, according to Environment Agency maps. We are therefore satisfied that the development will remain high, dry and safe even during extreme flood events.

Further, AECOM, acting on behalf of EDF Energy, have also carried out site specific breach assessments to ensure that the site will remain safe during an extreme event. While a breach of the flood defences is a residual risk it is reassuring to see that the main site will remain

As outlined in the Outline Drainage Strategy (APP-142, Document 7.8) and Environmental Statement (Document 5.2) one of three potential drainage options would be used for discharge of uncontaminated surface water from the Site. Further information on these three options has been provided to the Environment Agency (30 September 2019) in relation to the 'duly making' of the Environmental Permit Application for the Proposed Development, these being:

- Option (A) south-east connection to WBB GMX/purge line chamber 7, (permitted discharge point W5 in the existing WBB Environmental Permit);
- Option (B) north-east connection to purge line chambers P3 or P4:
- Option (C) south-west connection to WBB GU36 hence onto the permitted discharge point W6 connected to purge line chamber 15.

Therefore, as clarified, all three potential drainage connection



dry even during a 1 in 1000 year breach scenario (in this case the 1 in 1000 year data has been used as a 'proxy' in the absence of 1 in 100 year 50% climate change allowances as agreed with the Environment Agency).

Whilst it is not within the Environment Agency's remit to comment on or approve surface water drainage schemes (this role lies with the Lead local Flood Authority (LLFA), in this instance Nottinghamshire County Council) we wish to advice the Inspector as follows:

The surface water drainage scheme for the development has yet to be finalised.

We understand that it is the applicants intention for surface water to be managed using the existing infrastructure on site. The LLFA will therefore need to be satisfied that surface water can be adequately managed within the constraints of the existing infrastructure.

In the event of the existing infrastructure not being sufficient to manage surface water then either the northern or southern (or both) outfall corridors are to be used. If this were to happen then the following two comments apply:

- The FRA has indicated that the northern and
- southern outfall corridors are within flood zone 2 and 3. Neither outfall corridor has

options under consideration, including the northern/southern drainage connection corridor (Option B and A above respectively), would connect to the existing WBA drainage infrastructure (purge line) for subsequent discharge to the River Trent. Consequently, there is no need for the Proposed Development to construct any new outfall into the river and it is not envisaged that any works would be required in or around the existing flood defences that would require a separate permit from the Environment Agency. Only one of the three drainage options will be developed, and the decision as to which option will be used will be made at the detailed design stage. Details of the finalised drainage drawings clearly indicating the drainage routes and emissions points for the Proposed Development will be developed as part of the design process and supplied to the Environment Agency prior to commencement of commissioning, as part of the Environmental Permit. These details must also be approved with the relevant planning authority under Requirement 9 of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1), following consultation with the Environment Agency.

The Flood Risk Assessment that accompanied the Application (Appendix 12A of ES Volume II – APP-066, Document 5.2) has assessed the potential effects of constructing and operating all of the three potential drainage options, including either of the northern or the two southern drainage connection corridors. All three options lead to insignificant effects on flood risk. It is recognised (and shown on Figure 4 of the FRA) that the drainage connections are located within Flood Zone 3. Therefore, the FRA (section 8) includes mitigation for both construction and operational stages in respect of the drainage connection corridors and connections into the WBA purge line.



been assessed as part of the FRA. Therefore if either or both of the outfall corridors need to be constructed then the FRA will need to be updated and resubmitted for review.

The applicant will need to contact the Environment Agency regarding obtaining the relevant Flood Risk Activity Permits (FRAP). The outfall structures would interact with existing Environment Agency maintained flood defences and therefore we would need to ensure that they are constructed to the required standard. In such a scenario the applicant is advised to contact the Environment Agency for pre-Permit application advice. This would allow the Environment Agency to work collaboratively with the applicant in order to ensure there are no delays at the Permit application stage.

It is noted that the area identified as the construction laydown area partially lies within flood zone 2. However, given that a very small area within the north western section of the lay down area is affected by flood zone 2 and that the area in question is far in excess of 16 metres away from the Environment Agency maintained flood defences, a FRAP would not be required in this instance.

None of the drainage options under consideration require works under or adjacent to the existing Environment Agency maintained flood defences and no outfall structures are proposed. Therefore, no Flood Risk Activity Permit (FRAP) is considered to be required prior to any works being undertaken.



### Foul drainage

We note that, as currently submitted, the Outline Drainage Strategy does not include provision for the disposal of foul drainage associated with the welfare offices (either temporary or permanent provision). Whilst acknowledging that West Burton Sewage Treatment Works (STW) is within the wider site, the submitted FRA (paragraph 4.7.3) proposes foul drainage from any permanent welfare facilities would be directed to an on-site septic tank for storage and treatment. Conversely, the National Planning Policy Framework makes clear that discharge of foul drainage arising from developments should be directed to the mains sewage network where it is reasonable to do so. We therefore look forward to continue working with the applicant in ensuring the best solution for disposing of foul drainage, both temporary and permanent, is achieved.

#### Protection of controlled waters

As stated above, under 'Flood risk', we understand that the final surface water drainage scheme is yet to be decided upon, and once it is, this will need to be approved by the LLFA. However at this stage we wish to advise the following:

Details of the site investigation undertaken has

The option for foul drainage to be discharged to the West Burton Sewage Treatment Works located to the east of the Proposed Development and owned and operated by Severn Trent Water was initially considered by the Applicant in recognition of policy favouring connection to the public foul sewer wherever it is reasonable to do so. Permanent welfare facilities are included in the indicative design of the development, however it is anticipated that for most of the time the WBC site will be unmanned. Given the employee numbers required for the operation of the Proposed Development (anticipated to create up to 15 operational roles, some of which are expected to be undertaken by existing West Burton/Cottam Power Station employees) and the relatively infrequent use of the welfare facilities, it was concluded that the more economical and practical approach would be to discharge foul drainage from any permanent welfare facilities to an on-site septic tank for treatment. The tank would then be emptied by road tanker as and when required. It is recognised that demand for welfare facilities during outages will also need to be met, it is considered that the welfare facilities already available on the West Burton site would provide for this demand.

At this stage, an Outline Drainage Strategy has been prepared for the Proposed Development (provided as **APP-142**, **Document 7.8**), including indicative drainage plans for both waste water from site operations and uncontaminated surface water run-off.

It is recognised that these plans represent an initial drainage approach, and the finalised drainage design, including drainage



shown that a limited number of contaminants are leachable and groundwater impact is locally significant, likely due to ongoing leaching of contaminants within the PFA/made ground at the site. Consequently, from the perspective of the protection of controlled waters, we would expect that any attenuation pond forming a part of the surface water drainage scheme would be lined to avoid infiltration into the PFA/made ground. We therefore look forward to continue working with the applicant and in particular look forward to receipt of the following: Further detail on the attenuation pond as (detailed above); the location of surface water samples which have already been taken on site; proposals for sealed surface water drainage systems.

infrastructure, routes and emission points from the site will be developed as part of the detailed design process once a contractor is appointed and supplied to the Environment Agency prior to commencement of commissioning. This is proposed to be secured through Requirement 9 (2) and (3) of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1).

Although the detailed design of any pond or tank cannot be finalised at this stage, protection of controlled waters is a key consideration in the Outline Drainage Strategy which includes segregation of drainage to include an oily waste water drainage system, incorporating Class 1 full retention oil/ water interceptors or containment pits, to drain all areas where oil spillages could occur. Similar oil/ water interceptor arrangements are present at WBB Power Station, which are emptied periodically. As such, any attenuation pond required for the Proposed Development would contain only surface water run-off from the site which would be essentially uncontaminated, as it is segregated from any process areas and storage areas of the site. The attenuation pond would be impermeable and would be lined, if required, so that it retains the water directed into it.

In the event of a fire, the surface water drainage system would be closed (via isolation valves) to prevent contaminated water being released off-site through the surface water attenuation system. All oil storage areas would be within a contained area with sufficient volume to capture spent fire-fighting water prior to removal to suitable waste water treatment facility via road tanker. For plant areas covered by hydrant systems, fire water would drain into the plant wide drainage system and be held within the attenuation pond/ tank through the use of the system shut-off valve. These areas do not contain oil, minimising the risk of



We note from the submitted Framework Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) that a foundation risk assessment and proposed piling methodology is to be undertaken. We look forward to receipt of these by the applicant.

contamination of the fire water. The attenuation pond/ tank is designed to have the capacity to contain up to two hours of firewater. Any firewater retained would be contained on site and disposed off-site in accordance with waste management legislative requirements.

The two surface water samples are known as SW01 and SW02. Further information on the surface water samples is detailed within Appendix 11B: Ground Investigation Environmental Support and Sampling Report (APP-065, Document 5.2).

At this stage in the development of the Project, the final OCGT technology selection cannot yet be made, as it will be determined by various technical and economic considerations. The design of the Proposed Development, therefore, incorporates a necessary degree of flexibility in the choice of OCGT technology, plant dimensions and configuration of any enclosures or buildings, to allow for the future selection of the preferred technology and construction contractor. At this stage, it is envisaged that the appointed construction contractor would prepare and level the Proposed Power Plant Site, followed by piling (if required) and excavation for main foundations. The lighter buildings may be piled or have raft foundations.

If piling is required, piling design and construction works would be completed following the preparation of a piling risk assessment, completed in accordance with the Environment Agency's 'Piling and Penetrative Ground Improvement Methods on Land Affected by Contamination: Guidance on Pollution Prevention'. A piling and penetrative foundation design method statement would be submitted to and after consultation with the Environment Agency, agreed with Bassetlaw District Council prior



22 of the draft DCO (APP-004, Document 2.1) and must be approved by the relevant planning authority following consultation with the Environment Agency. Requirement 22 of the draft DCO states the following:

to relevant works commencing. The 'piling and penetrative foundation method statement' is to be secured by Requirement

"Piling and penetrative foundation design

22.—(1) No piling works for the construction of the authorised development must commence until for that stage a written piling and penetrative foundation design method statement, informed by a risk assessment has been submitted to and, after consultation with the Environment Agency, approved by the relevant planning authority.

(2) All piling and penetrative foundation works must be carried out in accordance with the approved method statement unless otherwise agreed with the relevant planning authority."

The Environment Agency's response is noted.

## **Biodiversity**

We expect the recommendations set out in the submitted Landscaping and Biodiversity Management and Enhancement Plan to be followed in full and on this understanding we have no objections to the proposals from a biodiversity and habitat perspective.

#### Informative – Potential Abstraction Licence

Activities associated with power stations, such as evaporative and non-evaporative cooling, may require an abstraction licence from the Environment Agency. Under the Water Resources Act 1991, any abstraction of water greater than 20 cubic metres per day, requires



an abstraction licence.

The Environment Agency is aware that West Burton Power Station currently has an existing abstraction licence (reference number: 03/28/69/0070). It should be noted that changes to abstraction locations, volumes or purpose would require the licence to be varied or a new abstraction licence to be applied for.

The proposed development site lies within the Lower Trent and Erewash Abstraction Licensing Strategy (ALS). This ALS area is open to new applications for abstraction however local conditions may apply. Further information is available

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/water-management-abstract-or-impound-water.

# **Draft Development Consent Order**

We have reviewed the submitted draft Development Consent Order and we are comfortable with its content/wording.

# EPR/CP3035MK West Burton C Permit variation Application - September 2019

The proposed development will require the applicant to vary the existing Permit it holds for the site and we wish to advise the Inspector of the current status of the permit variation application and also what aspects of the

It is the intention of the Applicant to vary its existing water abstraction licence (reference number: 03/28/69/0070) to include the purpose of supplying WBC at an appropriate time, there will be no change to abstraction location or volumes.

The Applicant notes that no further dialogue is deemed necessary.

The Environment Agency confirmed that the Environmental Permit variation application EPR/CP3035MK/V008 was duly made on 23 October 2019.



development the granted (varied) Permit will cover.

- 1.1 A permit variation application has been received by the Environment Agency (EA). This is to vary the current West Burton Combined Cycle Gas Turbine (CCGT) Power Station Environmental Permit EPR/CP3035MK/V008 to include the new West Burton C Power Station. The EA previously discussed with the applicant the benefits of parallel tracking the Development Consent Order (DCO) and permit application.
- 1.2 The EA consider this to be a substantial variation. The variation is to add a new Open Cycle Gas Turbine (OCGT) Power Station with a gross thermal input of 750MWth to operate for a maximum of 2250 hours.
- 1.3 Current Environment Agency Best Available Technique (BAT) guidance is for OCGT power stations to operate for 1500hrs per year on a rolling five year average with a maximum of 2250 hours in and one year.
- 1.4 The technology has still to be decided but environmental assessment modelling has been undertaken and submitted on 5 OCGT units with individual stacks.
- 1.5 As well as the permit variation application submission, the EA has also received an



application for a part surrender to the West Burton A station permit. The substantial variation to West Burton B station's permit will include an extension of the installation boundary to include the aforementioned surrendered land, on which the applicant intends building West Burton C.

- 1.6 The substantial variation is dependent on the surrendered land and therefore the surrender application needs to be duly made before the variation can be duly made. If no issues arise that require further information, duly making the surrender application will likely be complete within 2 weeks from the date of this letter. If further information is required it will take longer. The EA is not in a position to state at this time when the substantial variation will be duly made.
- 1.7 Once the substantial variation application is duly made we have to publicise it and also carry out a number of internal and external consultations/assessments. We currently expect the determination of the substantial variation to take until at least February 2020. We intend to issue the two applications at the same time so that the surrendered land isn't unpermitted while the variation is being determined.
- 1.8 Due to the above, no assessment of any information provided to us regarding emissions to air, land, water or amenity such as noise or odour has been undertaken.



1.9 Adjacent to this site are 2 Environmental Permitted installations:

West Burton A Coal Fired Power Station EPR/SP3039LW and

West Burton Bole Ings Ash Disposal Landfill EPR/YP3134SC.

Other than the transfer of land between the 2 Power Stations there are no expected permitting implications between the installations.

2. Our determination of the permit variation will cover key points from the permitted activity, these being:

Management: including general management, accident management, energy efficiency, efficient use of raw materials and waste recovery;

Operating activities and techniques: including the use of Best Available Techniques for process design and management;

Combined Heat and Power;

Eels Management;

Emissions to air and discharges to water, land and groundwater;

Amenity issues such as odour, noise and vibration;

Information: - monitoring, records, reporting and notifications.

1.8 In determining the application for the permit we will set conditions to ensure the emissions



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		and discharges are at a level that will not result	
		in significant impact on people and the	
		environment, reflecting current statutory	
		requirements. We cannot grant a permit until we	
		are satisfied that the operations will not cause	
		significant pollution to the environment or harm	
		to human health.	
		1.9 Any waste from the activity applied for will be	
		similar in nature to those already generated from	
		the current site operations though an increase in	
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		these is likely.	
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		1.10 During the construction and	
		decommissioning phases of the power station	
		there may be a requirement for wastes	
		generated to be either reused, treated or	
		disposed. The applicant should be aware of the	
		waste legislation applicable to the activity being	
		undertaken (for example environmental permits,	
		exemptions, regulatory position statements and	
		codes of practice).	
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		proposed works.	
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		new gas and electricity networks and this	



notification is valid for 90 days from the date of this letter. If your proposed works start after this period of time, please re-submit your enquiry.	
Important Notice Please be advised that any enquiries for ESP Connections Ltd, formerly known as British Gas Connections Ltd, should be sent directly to us at the address shown above or alternatively you can email us at: PlantResponses@espug.com.	