Dear Sir/Madam

Drax Re-power (EN010091) / IP reference: 20011838

Further to the Inspectorate's letter dated 6 September, I write on behalf of ClientEarth to make the below procedural request and to confirm:

- a. that we are happy to receive communications relating to this application by email (to this email address); and
- b. that I plan to attend the Preliminary Meeting on 4 October on ClientEarth's behalf.

Procedural request

In advance of the Preliminary Meeting, ClientEarth wishes to request an amendment to the Initial Assessment of Principal Issues annexed to the Inspectorate's letter.

Specifically, we request that the Initial Assessment be amended to include within its scope the following issues raised in ClientEarth's and other Interested Parties' Representations: (i) environmental issues not covered by the other Principal Issues, including the Proposed Development's climate impacts and consistency with the UK's climate change commitments, and (ii) the need for the Proposed Development given current projections (the 'Proposed Issues').

We recognise that the Initial Assessment of Principal Issues is not intended to provide a comprehensive or exhaustive list of all relevant matters. However, the lack of any reference to the Proposed Issues appears inconsistent given the specific and detailed nature of the Principal Issues included in the Initial Assessment, which also do not appear broad enough to encompass the Proposed Issues. Given the latter, we would suggest that the Proposed Issues be added as new Principal Issues rather than as new bullet points under an existing Principal Issue.

Yours faithfully

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