Chadwick, Tony From: Thurrock FPG To: Cc: Major Infrastructure

EN010092 Thurrock Flexible Energy Generation Plant Subject:

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With reference to the BEIS letter of 21 December 2021 the Borough Council would comment as set out below on matters of relevance:

Request for update or information	GBC response
3. The Secretary of State notes that, at the	No comment
close of the examination, there was no	
agreement between the Applicant, POTLL	
and RWE about the possible agreement	
necessary to secure the 'Alternative AIL	
Access Route'. The Secretary of State	
requests that the Applicant, POTLL and	
RWE provide an update on the status of	
any discussions between them in relation to	
securing an agreement on the Alternative	
AIL Access Route. The Secretary of State	
also requests that if no agreement has been	
reached within the timescale set for	
responses to this letter, then the parties	
should provide an indication of when	
discussions between them might be	
concluded. The Secretary of State also	
invites other Interested Parties to	
comment on this issue if they wish to do so.	
5. The Secretary of State notes that Pinsent	The Council agrees that removal within
Masons for POTLL made a Deadline 8	3 months would be more appropriate
Submission – 'Appendix 3: Mark up of	
Applicant's DCO Version 8'. This included a	
request that wording should be inserted in	
proposed Requirement 18(4) in the draft	
development consent order to require the	
causeway to be removed 'no later than 1	
month following the approval of a causeway	
decommissioning plan under requirement 19(4)' (to ensure that the causeway is	
removed expeditiously). While	
acknowledging POTLL's concern that, in	
the event the causeway needs to be	
removed it should be done as quickly as	
possible, the Secretary of State takes the	
view that the proposed one month timetable	
might prove challenging for the Applicant	
and considers that it would be more	
appropriate to require that the causeway	
should be removed within 3 months of the	
causeway decommissioning plan being	
approved by the Marine Management	
Organisation. The Secretary of State	
requests comments from the Applicant and	
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from POTLL on his proposed addition to Requirement 18(4). The Secretary of State also invites **other Interested Parties** to comment on this issue if they wish to do so.

6. The Secretary of State would also be grateful if the Applicant would confirm that it is content that "decommissioning", as referred to at Requirements 18(4) and 19, does not require further definition because this will be determined as part of the approval process for the causeway decommissioning plan pursuant to Requirement 19(1). The Secretary of State also invites other Interested Parties to comment on this issue if they wish to do so.

The Council agrees that the causeway decommissioning plan should define the scope of "decommissioning" and as such it does not need to be defined at this time

Thank you

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