

WRITTEN REPRESENTATION

Representation by National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc to the Riverside Energy Park Project ("the Project")

As set out in its Relevant Representation, National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc ("National Grid") objects to the approval of the Riverside Energy Park Development Consent Order in its current form which fails adequately to protect National Grid's infrastructure and land which is within or in close proximity to the proposed Order limits.

National Grid briefly sets out its position below and requests that the Examining Authority has due regard to the contents of this representation.

National Grid is engaged in negotiations with the Promoter in relation to revised protective provisions for its benefit however at the time of these representations those negotiations are ongoing. National Grid therefore wishes to maintain its objection unless and until satisfactory protection for its land and assets is included in the draft Order.

National Grid has land, and rights in land, which are subject to compulsory acquisition powers (for the acquisition of rights under Schedule 7) and temporary possession powers in the draft Order. National Grid objects to the inclusion of powers in the draft Order that could be used to extinguish National Grid's rights to maintain its apparatus, remove that apparatus and restrict access to the apparatus.

National Grid's rights to retain its apparatus in situ and rights of access to inspect, maintain, renew and repair such apparatus located within or in close proximity to the Order limits should be maintained at all times and access to inspect and maintain such apparatus must not be restricted.

The following assets, which form an essential part of the electricity transmission network in England and Wales are within, or in close proximity to, the Order limits:

Overhead Lines

- VN (275kV) overhead line route
- YL (400kV) overhead line route

Substation

- Littlebrook 132kV Substation
- Littlebrook 132kV GIS Substation

Underground cables

- There are a number of high voltage underground cables within or in close proximity to the proposed order limits.

As a responsible statutory undertaker, National Grid's primary concern is to meet its statutory obligations and ensure that any development does not impact in any adverse way upon those statutory obligations.

National Grid reserves the right to make further representations during the Examination but in the meantime will continue to engage with the Promoter with a view to reaching a satisfactory agreement.