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Dear Mr Bullock

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) – Section 51

Application by Net Zero Teesside Power Limited and Net Zero North Sea Storage Limited for an Order granting Development Consent for the Net Zero Teesside project

Advice following issue of decision to accept the application for Examination

On 16 August 2021 the Secretary of State decided that the application for the above project satisfied the acceptance tests under section 55 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA2008). The Planning Inspectorate's acceptance checklist and the application documents have been published and made available on the project page of our website.

In undertaking checks at the acceptance stage, the Inspectorate has made some initial observations in relation to the application. This letter comprises advice to the Applicants provided under section 51 of the PA2008 in respect of these initial observations. The Applicants should pay attention to its content and consider how appropriate action might be taken in response.

Consultees identified on a precautionary basis

Given the individual circumstances of this case, the Planning Inspectorate advises taking a precautionary approach to consultation under s42(1)(a) of the PA2008 to ensure that all persons potentially affected by, or potentially likely to have an interest in the application are given the opportunity to participate fully in the Examination of the application. On this basis, the Applicants may wish to serve notice on the bodies listed in Box 6 of the section 55 checklist when it serves notice of the accepted application under s56(2)(a) of the PA2008, unless there is a specific justification why this is not necessary.

Submission of updated documents

The following documents are corrupt, the Applicant is requested to provide amended versions;

- 6.3.74 ES Vol II Figure 17-7a Viewpoint 1 – Albion Terrace Hartlepool (Summer).
- 5.2 Project Need Statement.
- 5.11 Indicative Lighting Strategy.

Works Plans

- The Applicant is requested to provide updated Works Plans providing a legend, defining MLWS and making the limits of deviation referred to in the Acceptance Checklist sufficiently clear.
- Further clarification is needed in relation to Work No. 1(e) in the draft DCO. Provide an explanation as to why this work has not been included in documents such as the Explanatory Memorandum, Works Plans, Land Plans, Environmental Statement, and any other documents expected to hold details of Works. It is requested that the above documents listed, and any other documents in which Works are expected to be seen are submitted to the Planning Inspectorate.
- The Applicant is requested to provide a Works Plan Key Plan that clearly demonstrates the relationship between the sheets as referred to in the Acceptance Checklist.

It is requested that these documents listed above are provided before the commencement of the Relevant Representation period.

Minor errors and omissions

Any minor errors and/ or omissions are reflected in the Acceptance Checklist.

An Examining Authority, once appointed, may ask questions regarding these matters or request updated documents unless these are provided.

Please pay close attention to the advice set out in this letter and act on it accordingly. This will contribute towards a more efficient Examination and give any future Examining Authority comfort that the documentation is complete and accurate.

We trust you find this advice helpful, however if you have any queries on these matters, please do not hesitate to contact our office using the contact details at the head of this letter.

Yours sincerely

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