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Dear Sir or Madam

Application by Net Zero Teesside Power Limited and Net Zero North Sea Storage Limited (the Applicants) for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Net Zero Teesside Project (the Project)

Deadline 8 Submission - South Tees Development Corporation

South Tees Development Corporation (STDC) has liaised with the Applicants in the build up to Deadline 8 and has approved submission of an updated Statement of Common Ground (SoCG). While an option agreement is yet to conclude, STDC notes that progress is being made.

STDC makes the following comments on the Applicants' Deadline 7 submissions:

Applicants' Comments on Deadline 6 Submissions [REP7-009]

STDC notes from the Applicants' submissions that the Applicants disagree that STDC should be informed before the transfer of powers under article 8 of the Order. Without prior notice, STDC will be placed in an unreasonable position whereby a third party will have rights over the STDC area without STDC's or its tenants' knowledge. Given the scale of the development within the STDC landholding and the level of cooperation required between the parties, it is reasonable and proportionate for STDC to be informed of transfers of powers prior to the transfer. STDC continues to seek amendments to the DCO in this respect.

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Procedural Decision to accept Applicants' changes submitted on 23 August 2022

STDC remains supportive of the Applicants' changes to reduce the scope of land subject to compulsory acquisition and/or temporary possession. The Examining Authority will note that STDC's initial relevant representation [RR-035] highlighted concerns with the extent of land take by the Project. STDC retains some concerns around the extent of land subject to compulsory or temporary powers, and this is further set out in the latest SoCG.



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