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Please find attached a response letter from the Combined Authority.

Regards
Adrian

Adrian Cannard
Strategic Planning Manager



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Grahame Kean
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Your ref: EN010106

Dear Mr. Kean,

Request by the Applicant in Respect of the Timing of the Preliminary Meeting

I am writing on behalf of the Combined Authority in response to your letter of 4 May 2022 seeking comments on the timing of the preliminary meeting and examination.

Issue 1. The Applicant's proposed timetable to consult further on amendments intended to form the formal Change Request to be made to the ExA.

The Combined Authority in its Relevant Representation highlighted concerns over the appropriateness of the public consultation undertaken by the applicant. The Combined Authority called for the scheme to be "exemplary in avoiding detrimental impacts". It is regrettable that uncertainty now also surrounds the grid connection options. In line with our representation on effective public engagement, appropriate public consultation should be undertaken on any revised Options. Beyond seeking to expedite the application process the applicant does not present any other reasons for a 'short' consultation. The consultation should be consistent with the Statutory Consultation requirements of two weeks publication and at least a 28 day deadline following that publication. We note that the applicant in its response to the ExA confirms that it is open to varying its proposed consultation period.

Issue 2. The issue of whether the Preliminary Meeting should be delayed until mid-July 2022

It is for the applicant to judge whether it can resolve the Options appraisal to allow time for consultation to be held and responses to be considered prior to a revised Preliminary Meeting in mid-July. Starting the Preliminary Meeting and Examination on the original timetable could cause confusion with any ongoing consultation and such a clash should preferably be avoided.

Yours Sincerely,

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Adrian Cannard
Strategic Planning Manager