

WRITTEN REPRESENTATION

Representation by National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc and National Grid Gas Plc in relation to the South Humber Bank Energy Centre Project ("the Project")

National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc and National Grid Gas Plc (together "National Grid") wish to make a written representation to protect its position in relation to infrastructure and land which is within or in close proximity to the proposed Order limits.

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 must be maintained at all times and access to inspect and maintain such apparatus must not be restricted.

As set out in the Relevant Representation submitted, the following assets, which form an essential part of the electricity transmission and gas networks in England and Wales are within, or in close proximity to, the Order limits:

Electricity Transmission

Overhead Lines

- 2AH 400kV Overhead Line and Tower
- Above and below ground associated apparatus.

Substation

- South Humber Bank 400kV

Gas Transmission

- Feeder Main 9 – Brocklesby to Stallingborough
- Above and below ground associated apparatus

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.

We note that the Applicant has not sought powers of compulsory acquisition or temporary possession in the Draft DCO (Document Ref. 2.1). However, the Draft DCO does contain powers (in Article 19) allowing the Applicant to extinguish or suspend the rights of, remove or reposition the apparatus belonging to statutory undertakers. This article is subject to the protective provisions and protective provisions for the benefit of National Grid are therefore essential to protect National Grid's undertaking and performance of statutory functions and to ensure compliance with relevant safety standards.

A form of protective provisions for the benefit of National Grid was included in the draft DCO; however, this form of protective provisions is not agreed by National Grid. The final form of the protective provisions is currently being negotiated between the parties but is not yet agreed. The parties will keep the Examining Authority informed of progress. The full details of the issues agreed and outstanding between the parties are contained in a Statement of Common Ground.

National Grid reserves the right to make further representations as part of the examination process but in the meantime will negotiate with the Promoter with a view to reaching a satisfactory agreement.