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Trustees of the Bodrhyddan Estate Maintenance Fund and Bodrhyddan Farming Company Ltd

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Dear Sirs.

The onshore cabling route crosses Bryn Cwnin Farm east of the A525. This is in the ownership and occupation of our clients the Bodrhyddan Estate Maintenance Fund and the Bodrhyddan Farming Company Limited respectively, please use this email address to notify us of key developments as the applicant's agents are failing to do this.

With regard to the Category 6 Environmental Statement Volume 3 Chapter 13 Onshore Conclusions we specifically object to 13.3.6 where it is stated that the residual effect of the impact upon soil quality is minor adverse (not significant) the method of working and the satisfactory working methods of separating topsoil and subsoil are critical to minimising the soil quality degradation. No assurances have been given that sufficient care and attention will be given to this matter. The land is best and most versatile (BMV) so degradation and loss from agricultural use for perceived environmental gain is critical and appears contrary to Welsh Government policy on BMV land.

Under 13.3.8 Beaumaris, Conwy and Penrhyn Castles are referred to yet Rhuddlan Castle which is most closely affected by the works is not mentioned which appears to demonstrate a lack of attention and brings into question the validity of the conclusions in the whole section.

Generally, there has been a lack of constructive engagement with landowners along the onshore cable route and elements have been presented at a late stage causing objection which could easily have been avoided.

Regards

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