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Dear Sirs

Application by North Lincolnshire Green Energy Park Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the North Lincolnshire Green Energy Park Deadline 1 Submission (Summary of Oral Representations)

To fulfil the Examining Authority's request for Deadline 1, outlined in its letter dated 18 October 2022, please find below a summary of the oral representations made on behalf of the Environment Agency at the Issue Specific Hearings held on the 16th and 17th November 2022.

The Environment Agency confirmed that the proposed development will require a permit to operate under the Environmental Permitting Regulations 2016. Having received an update from the applicant in respect of their timescales for submitting a permit application (2-3 months) and based on an estimated determination period (8-12 months), the Environment Agency confirmed that it is unlikely it would be able to provide any level of comfort regarding the likelihood of the permit being granted during the Examination period. This could only be provided during the latest stages of determination, when a draft permit is produced and consultation on this has taken place.

The Environmental Agency also requested the applicant provide clarity on the remit of the Construction Flood Management Plan (secured through Requirements 4(3)(e)) and the Flood Management Plan (secured through Requirement 12), i.e. which Plan will include the built-in (physical) mitigation scheme? If it is the intention that the mitigation measures to be built into the development are included under the Flood Management Plan secured through Requirement 12, then the wording of this will need to be amended to secure its submission before the commencement of development; to leave it to the pre-commissioning stage will not provide an opportunity for consultation on the adequacy of the scheme before the development is constructed.

Should you require any additional information, or wish to discuss these matters further, please do not hesitate to contact me on the number below.

Yours faithfully

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