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Dear Sir or Madam,

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE GREEN ENERGY PARK PROJECT

THE PLANNING ACT 2008 AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (EXAMINATION PROCEDURE) RULES 2010

APPLICATION BY THE NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE GREEN ENERGY PARK LIMITED ("THE APPLICANT") FOR AN ORDER GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR THE PROPOSED THE NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE GREEN ENERGY PARK ("THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT")

As promised in the response submitted to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero on 21 February 2024, please find below an update on the proposed Section 106 agreement with the tenant farmer and relevant landowner to provide mitigation for potential exceedances in air emissions at the Risby Warren Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).

Relevant updates as follows:

- The tenant has confirmed their support to sign the agreement and is currently reviewing the draft with their legal team.
- North Lincolnshire Council (NLC) have also provided an update since the 21 February 2024 response, confirming that they agree with the principle of entering into a Section 106 agreement. The Applicant is continuing to engage with NLC on the details of the draft agreement.
- Natural England's position of support has not changed since the 21 February 2024 response.

The Applicant wishes to reiterate that it maintains that the need for and the benefits delivered by the Project outweigh the limited adverse impact on the Risby Warren SSSI, and the Applicant is of the view that it will be able to secure an environmental permit incorporating alternative technology types that will avoid any adverse effects on Risby Warren SSSI, such that there would not then be a need for any further mitigation. This approach has been discussed with Natural England who are supportive.

In the event the Secretary of State takes a different view on the planning balance such that the potential for adverse effects at Risby Warren SSSI do tip the balance and would lead the Secretary of State to be minded to refuse the DCO, a draft requirement has been proposed to secure the necessary avoidance or mitigation of any residual adverse effects. Notwithstanding this, as stated in



the previous response, the Applicant is committed to the ongoing negotiations for a Section 106 agreement, to secure the proposed mitigation of residual adverse effects at Risby Warren SSSI should it be required.

Yours faithfully,

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DWD For and on behalf of North Lincolnshire Green Energy Park Limited