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Okay, good morning everyone. Can I just check that we have Mr. Northover out? There we are Mr. Northover. Okay, so good morning, everyone. It is now 10am. And it's time for this hearing to begin. Can I just confirm that everybody can hear me? Clearly? There are no issues with the sound today. Yeah, I can hear you clearly. Thank you, Mr. Harold. Can I also confirm Mr. Harrell that their live streaming and recording of this event has commenced? Yes, I can confirm it has. I just want to start with a brief explanation of today, we are going to hold our hearings in a stacked format today beginning with issue specific hearing five, followed by the compulsory acquisition hearing, and then the open floor hearing. Given the purpose of these hearings, which we'll come to in just a moment, they will be rather more brief, and follow a slightly different format to those which we have previously held in this examination. We will still open and close each hearing individually today. But we will take a short break between each one which will allow us to make a suitable break in the recording. So to begin, I'd like to welcome you all to issues Pacific hearing five on matters discussed at issue specific hearing one to fall for the Drax bioenergy with carbon capture and storage project. My name is Caroline Jones, and I am a chartered town planner and planning inspector. I have been appointed by the Secretary of State to be the lead member of the panel to examine this application. I'm just going to ask my other panel members to introduce themselves today.

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Good morning. My name is Ben Northover, I am a chartered architect and I have been appointed to be a member of the panel to examine this application.

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Thank you. So together we constitute the examining authority for this application. The meeting today is going to follow the agenda published on the national infrastructure planning website on the 27th of June 2023. So it would be helpful if you had a copy of this in front of you. Today's hearing is being undertaken virtually and that means that everybody is participating through Microsoft Teams. Can I just ask for those who are participating today if you could just make sure that you stay muted during the hearing just to minimize any background noise. If you do wish to speak, please use either the hands up function or just turn your camera on so that we can see you want to speak. Please do be patient though because we might not get to you immediately. For anybody watching on the livestream. Can I also advise that when we do adjourn proceedings this morning, you will need to refresh your browser page to review and we'll remind you of this at the point we adjourn. A recording of today's hearing will be made available on the Drax bioenergy with carbon capture and storage section of the national infrastructure planning website as soon as practicable after this hearing is finished. With this in mind, could you please ensure that you speak clearly and stating your name and who you are representing each time before you speak today? A link to the planning Inspectorate privacy notice was provided in the notification for this hearing. We assume that everybody here today has familiarized themselves with

this document, which establishes how the personal data of our customers is handled in accordance with the principles set out in data protection laws. Please do speak to Mr. Herold, if you have any questions about this. Moving on, I'm just going to briefly explain the purpose of this issue specific hearing. The reason we're holding this hearing is because the applicants change requests invoked the infrastructure planning compulsory acquisition regulations 2010, which we will now refer to as the CAA regulations. When this occurs, regulation 14 Two of the CA regulation states that where we've already held issue specific hearings, we must arrange another and notify each additional affected person or interested party. Therefore the purpose of arranging today's hearing is for any additional affected person or interested party, as a result of the applicants change requests to make an oral representation on the matters that were previously discussed. At Issue specific hearings want to fall. It's not our intention to hear any new submissions today from existing interested parties who were invited and did have the opportunity to attend those hearings. All submissions made at those hearings and subsequent submissions made in writing, including those submitted at deadline nine have been and will be carefully considered. I'm now just going to move on to ask those of you who are participating in today's meeting to introduce yourselves. When I come to you could you just introduce yourself stating your name and who you represent? If you're not representing anybody, please confirm your name and summarize your interest in the application It would also be helpful if you could let us know how you wish should be addressed today. Could I start with the applicant, please?

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Good morning. My name is Richard Griffiths and I'm a partner at Pinsent, Masons LLP. Are the lawyers for the applicant, Drax, power limited. I'm here in the room virtually, with my colleagues, Alexis Coleman and Matthew Fox, who, depending on the questions you asked me also contributes from the applicant itself. We have Mr. Jim Doyle, who is the planning and consensus manager for the applicant. And from WFP. We have Cassie fountain Associate Director in infrastructure planning. We have some other members of the WS T ws P team as well, on the on this link. I don't tend to introduce them all. Whether you we need to speak, introduce them or depend on the hearings in question.

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Thank you agree with that that's sensible given the nature of the hearing. today. We haven't actually had any requests to speak from any additional affected persons or interested parties today. We do have another party present with us today. And that is Mr. Hewitt. Mr. Hewitt, in light of why we are here today. Can I presume that you don't intend on speaking at issue specific hearing five? Yes, I confirmed that. Thank you, Mr. Hewitt. In which case, I will ask the applicant if there is anything that they wish to raise up at this point. Otherwise, we will we will move towards the close of this hearing.

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Thank you, Richard grievous on behalf of the applicants. There's nothing that we particularly we have to add to our second change request. This is any questions you have for my submission, which I'm happy to answer. We have nothing to to add to ask Mr. Documents in writing.

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No, I think they'd like their their names. omissions obviously, came in Thursday. So we're still looking at them. We you know, we've we've read as much as we can at this point. We don't have anything to raise

the nature of this. The purpose of this hearing was, as I explained, so there's nothing more for for us, Mr. Northover, is there anything you wish to raise?

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No, there's nothing additional I'd like to raise Thank you.

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Okay. Well, then there are no any any need for any review of any issues. Does anyone have any other business they would like to raise? Not seeing any raised hands, in which case I'll hand over to Mr. Northover.

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Thank you. That takes us to the closure of this very brief hearing. Thank you to those who have attended. Just a reminder that the final deadline definitely turn is 17th of July, which is the day we will close the examination will now take a short break before commencing the compulsory acquisition hearing at quarter past 10. For those watching the live stream, you will need to refresh your browser to view the updated feed. The time is now 10 Eight minutes past turn and issue specific clearing fine for the Drax bioenergy with carbon capture and storage project is now close. Thank you