

COVER LETTER (30)

Drax Bioenergy with Carbon Capture and Storage

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Dear Mr Harrold,

PINS Reference: EN010120

Document Reference: 8.2.29 Cover Letter (30) – Submission of Documents Requested for Deadline 10 of the Examination

Drax Power Station Bioenergy with Carbon Capture and Storage (BECCS)

- 1. We write on behalf of Drax Power Limited ('the Applicant') to provide the documents requested by the Examining Authority ('ExA') for Deadline 10.
- 2. This is in accordance with the request set out in the Rule 6 letter dated 13 December 2022 and as updated and confirmed in the Rule 8 letter dated 24 January 2023 and the further letters dated 27 February 2023 and 26 April 2023.
- 3. Accordingly, the following documents are enclosed with this submission:

Application Document Reference	PINS Document Reference (Most up to date submitted version)	Document Details	Date
1.3	REP9-001	Application Guide (Clean)	17 July 2023

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1.3	REP9-002	Application Guide (Tracked)	17 July 2023
1.4	REP9-003	Application Document Tracker (Clean)	17 July 2023
1.4	REP9-004	Application Document Tracker (Tracked)	17 July 2023
3.1	REP9-005	Draft Development Consent Order (Rev 12) (Clean) (Word Version – validated SI template)	17 July 2023
3.1	REP9-006	Draft Development Consent Order (Rev 12) (Tracked) (Word Version – SI template)	17 July 2023
3.1	REP9-005	Draft Development Consent Order (Rev 12) (Clean) (PDF Version)	17 July 2023
3.1	REP9-006	Draft Development Consent Order (Rev 12) (Tracked) (PDF Version)	17 July 2023
3.1	N/A new document	Draft Development Consent Order Validation Report	17 July 2023
3.1.7	N/A new document	Schedule of Changes to the Draft Development Consent Order	17 July 2023
3.2	REP9-008	Explanatory Memorandum (Clean)	17 July 2023
3.2	REP9-009	Explanatory Memorandum (Tracked)	17 July 2023
4.1.1	REP9-012	Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought (Clean)	17 July 2023
4.1.1	REP9-013	Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought (Tracked)	17 July 2023
8.1.1	REP-016	Statement of Common Ground between National Grid ESO and Drax Power Limited	17 July 2023
8.1.2	REP8-016	Statement of Common Ground between National Grid Carbon Limited and Drax Power Limited	17 July 2023
8.1.3	REP8-017	Statement of Common Ground between The North Yorkshire Council and Drax Power Limited	17 July 2023
8.1.7	REP8-020	Statement of Common Ground between National Highways and Drax Power Limited	17 July 2023
8.1.9	REP8-021	Statement of Common Ground	17 July 2023

Application Document Reference	PINS Document Reference (Most up to date submitted version)	Document Details	Date
		between East Riding of Yorkshire Council and Drax Power Limited	
8.1.10	REP5-019	Statement of Common Ground between National Grid Electricity Transmission and Drax Power Limited	17 July 2023
8.4	REP9-027	Statement of Commonality	17 July 2023
8.8	REP6-030	National Policy Statement Compliance Tracker (Rev 05)	17 July 2023
8.10.9	N/A new document	Applicant's Responses to Submissions at Deadline 9	17 July 2023
8.23	N/A new document	Applicant's Closing Position Statement at Deadline 10	17 July 2023

In considering this documentation, please note the following:

- 4. The Application Document Tracker and Application Guide have been updated to reflect the latest status and list of documents submitted as part of the Examination process.
- 5. The draft DCO has been updated at Deadline 10 (Rev 12) to reflect agreement reached with National Highways on protective provisions and to update details of certified documents. A summary of changes is provided in document 3.1.7. A separate email will be submitted with the DCO Validation Report see paragraph 16, below.
- 6. The Explanatory Memorandum has been updated to reflect changes to the draft DCO since Deadline 9.
- 7. The Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought (document 4.1.1) has been updated to set out the engagement that the Applicant has undertaken since Deadline 9. This includes confirmation that the Department for Transport have given their written consent for the use of Crown Land as part of the Proposed Development. This is provided in Appendix B to document 4.1.1. The progress as at 17/07/23 is summarised in the table below:

Status of Voluntary Agreement with Parties	Parties	Number
Signed Agreement regarding habitat provision areas	Mr Watson	1
Signed and returned HoTs for voluntary agreements or written confirmation of voluntary agreement.	Mr Roustoby Mr Jowett, EOF Holdings Limited Mr Cowling Mr Dickinson	4

Status of Voluntary Agreement with Parties	Parties	Number
Ongoing discussions regarding HoTs, including positive discussions and willingness to enter into a voluntary agreement but no formal response to date	Mr Hussain Mr Milner, ERYC Mr Pickering, on behalf of the Consortium Mr Andrews, JRS Services (Goole) Ltd	4
Confirmation of no objection from ERYC to use of highway land (plots of land owned by DfT and NH but conferred to and maintained by ERYC) for the AIL works provided	ERYC	1
Consent from DfT to the Applicant for the use of Crown Land granted 17/07/23 (See Appendix B of Document 4.1.1 – Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought).	Department for Transport	1
Ongoing discussions between Applicant and NH (in its role as registered owner of land maintained by ERYC as highway land). NH have indicated no concern and a formal response is awaited.	National Highways	1

- 8. The Applicant has continued to engage with all Statement of Common Ground parties. The following finalised SoCGs are submitted at Deadline 10:
 - Statement of Common Ground between National Grid ESO and Drax Power Limited
 - Statement of Common Ground between National Grid Carbon Limited and Drax Power Limited
 - Statement of Common Ground between The North Yorkshire Council and Drax
 Power Limited
 - Statement of Common Ground between National Highways and Drax Power Limited
 - Statement of Common Ground between East Riding of Yorkshire Council and Drax Power Limited
 - Statement of Common Ground between National Grid Electricity Transmission and Drax Power Limited

- 9. The Statement of Commonality has been updated at Deadline 10 to reflect updates to SoCGs and to set out the position at the end of the Examination. This includes more information regarding the three SoCGs which have been signed by the Applicant but not by the other party. (The three SoCGs which have not been signed by the other party include the SoCGs with NGCL, ERYC and NGET.)
- 10. The Applicant's responses to submissions received at Deadline 9 is provided within document 8.10.9.
- 11. The National Policy Statement Compliance Tracker has been updated to reflect the position at Deadline 10.
- 12. The Applicant's Closing Position Statement is provided within Document 8.23. The Applicant has not submitted a separate List of Matters Not Agreed where any SoCG could not be Finalised, and this information is instead provided within Document 8.23.
- 13. Enclosed with this letter are the above documents via the file upload facility on the project application website¹, as agreed with the Inspectorate via the Rule 6 letter on 13 December 2022.
- 14. The Applicant does not submit an updated Book of Reference at Deadline 10, as there are no updates to the version last submitted at Deadline 9. As such, that version (REP9-010) can be treated as the final version.
- 15. The Applicant does not submit a written summary of oral submissions made at the latest set of Hearings on 10 July as no matters were discussed which would require the preparation of such a document.
- 16. The DCO Validation Report will be submitted to PINS via email.
- 17. We trust the above and enclosed are helpful. However, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned should you have any queries regarding these documents.

Yours sincerely

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¹ https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/yorkshire-and-the-humber/drax-bioenergy-with-carbon-capture-and-storage-project