

# Heckington Fen Solar Park

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Applicant: Ecotricity (Heck Fen Solar) Limited

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## APPENDIX 2.2- HECKINGTON FEN ENERGY PARK TRANSBOUNDARY SCREENING

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**Transboundary screening undertaken by the Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) on behalf of the Secretary of State (SoS) for the purposes of Regulation 32 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the 2017 EIA Regulations)**

<b>Project name:</b>	Heckington Fen Solar Park
<b>Address/Location:</b>	Land at Six Hundreds Farm, Six Hundreds Drove, East Heckington, Sleaford, 3.5km south-east of South Kyme, approximately 3.7km east of Heckington, and 8.9km west of Boston, within Lincolnshire.
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**TRANSBOUNDARY SCREENING**

**Document(s) used for transboundary screening:**

Environmental Impact Assessment Scoping Report for land at Six Hundreds Farm, Six Hundreds Drove, East Heckington, Sleaford, Lincolnshire on behalf of Ecotricity (Heck Fen Solar) Limited ('the Scoping Report')

The Inspectorate on behalf of the SoS has considered the Proposed Development which will comprise the construction, operation and decommissioning of a solar photovoltaic (PV) electricity generating facility (the Energy Park) exceeding 50-megawatt (MW) output capacity, together with associated energy storage. The installed capacity of the solar generation is expected to be in the order of 500MW. The Proposed Development will also comprise the cable route for the grid connection from the proposed Energy Park to the National Grid Bicker Fen substation and related ground works.

The Inspectorate concludes that the Proposed Development **is unlikely to have a significant effect either alone or cumulatively on the environment in a European Economic Area State**. In reaching this conclusion the Inspectorate has identified and considered the Proposed Development's likely impacts including consideration of potential pathways and the extent, magnitude, probability, duration, frequency and reversibility of the impacts.

The Inspectorate considers that the likelihood of transboundary effects resulting from the Proposed Development is so low that it does not warrant the issue of a detailed transboundary screening. However, this position will remain under review and will have regard to any new or materially different information coming to light which may alter that decision.

**Action:** No further action required at this stage.

**Date:** 25/03/2022

**Note:** The SoS' duty under Regulation 32 of the 2017 EIA Regulations continues throughout the application process.