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Subject: EN010128 - Cory Decarbonisation Project [ES-CLOUD_UK.FID10984399]

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Dear Casework Team,

We write on behalf of Thames Water Utilities Limited ("TWUL") further to the above matter and, in particular, the 'Rule 8' letter issued by the Examining Authority ("ExA") on 18 November 2024.

At Annex A of the letter we note that the ExA was to receive notification of requests to be heard at any Compulsory Acquisition Hearing ("CAH") from Affected Persons by Deadline 1, being 26 November 2024.

As set out in paragraph 4 of TWUL's written representation of 26 November 2024, TWUL is maintaining its objection to the proposed compulsory acquisition of its land. TWUL is in the process of engaging with the Applicant in relation to the proposals to acquire land owned by TWUL compulsorily but, at this stage and subject to the outcome of those discussions, TWUL would like to reserve its right to be heard at future CAHs pursuant to section 92 of the Planning Act 2008. However, TWUL would like to be heard at CAH2 and please therefore accept this email as confirmation of this request.

If this request is deemed late, we would respectfully request that the ExA exercises its discretion under Rule 23 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010, to allow this request after the deadline set in the Rule 8 letter. We consider it would be helpful for the ExA to have all relevant information and submissions available so that the recommendation report can include and assess all material considerations. Permitting this request would also cause no prejudice to any party: the request comes very soon after Deadline 1 and it would result in no delay to the examination timetable; nor would any party's preparation for CAH2 be adversely affected.

With regards Annex C of the Rule 8 letter, please see below the following information:

- Name and unique reference number: Thames Water Utilities Limited, URN:
 20049113
- Email address and contact telephone number: (1)

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- Participation will be either be virtual or in person, which will be confirmed in due course
- TWUL wishes to partake in CAH2 to make oral representations on the issues set out in section 4 of its written representation dated 24 November 2024, as summarised above.
- Plot numbers of relevant land: 1-020, 1-021, 1-033, 1-036, 1-038, 1-041, 1-042, 1-044, 1-046, 1-047, 1-050, 1-057, 1-090, 1-093, 1-099, 1-102, 1-106, 1-108 and 1-114.

- Multiple documents are likely to be referred to, in particular:
 - (i) 4.1 Statement of Reasons (APP-020)
 - (ii) 5.2 Planning Statement (APP-040)
 - (iii) 7.5 Terrestrial Site Alternatives Report (APP-125)
 - (iv) 7.9 Outline Landscape Biodiversity Access and Recreation Delivery Strategy (APP-129)

We also note that the Rule 8 letter states, on page 2, that all interested parties should make their submissions using the 'Have Your Say' section of the project website. Could you please confirm if this applies to parties already registered or if it would be acceptable for submissions and documentation to be submitted to the Casework Team via this email address.

We look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible, and thank you for your ongoing assistance.

Kind regards,

Martin

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