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Your ref: EN010132

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By email:

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Dear Andrea

Order Granting Development Consent for the West Burton Solar Project (EN010132) – applicant’s change request application.

I refer to your letter dated 01 February 2024 which refers to the applicant’s change request application.

We note that 5 changes are proposed to the application in relation to the following:

Change 1: Access to West Burton 1 from A1500;

Change 2: Cable Corridor Widening, Stow Park;

Change 3: West Burton 3 Railway Crossing;

Change 4: Visibility splay at West Burton Cable Route Corridor Access AC110; and

Change 5: Access to West Burton Power Station from Gainsborough Road.

We have the following comments to make on the application in the light of these changes:

The proposed extension to the development scheme now passes very close to or even above an authorised landfill site. This is on sheet 7 of 10 of the Land Plan Revision B (January 2024)(Document CR1/WB2.2_B).

The details of the landfill site as are follows:

- West Bank of River Trent British Waterways, ref: EA/EPR/AP3297FZ, category A06 Landfill taking other wastes, NGR SK8270581479.

The developer must ensure that effects from and to this landfill are considered in the development of the scheme. Any interactions with the landfill must be discussed with the operator of the permit.

In addition, applicable to the whole scheme, the developer needs to be aware that no discharges, other than uncontaminated surface water, may be discharged to either surface or groundwater without the benefit of an environmental permit. Measures should be considered to minimise the risk of pollution, particularly relating to sedimentation of surrounding watercourses. These apply both during the development and operational phases of the proposal.

Should you require any additional information or wish to discuss these matters further at this stage, please do not hesitate to contact me via email or on the number below.

Yours sincerely

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