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Dear Recipient,

Further to the letter issued by the Head of Energy Infrastructure Planning Delivery on behalf of the Secretary of State for Energy Security & Net Zero on 7 November 2024, we attach a response submitted on behalf of EDF Energy (Thermal Generation) Limited (IP Number 20038306).

Kind regards,

Katy

Kathryn Nolin
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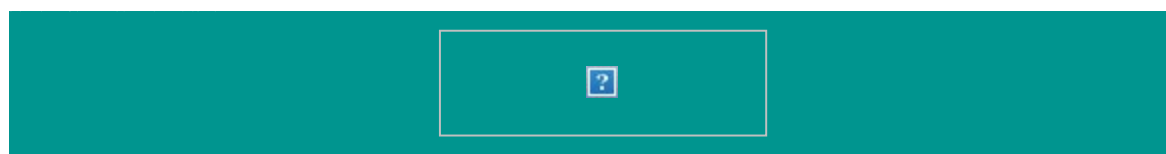
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Application by West Burton Solar Project Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the West Burton Solar Project

Request for comments

Interested Party Reference number: 20038306

(You must quote your Interested Party Reference number in all

correspondence with the Planning Inspectorate).

Dear Sir / Madam

Please find below a link to a letter from the Secretary of State that has been published on the National Infrastructure Planning website.

The letter invites all Interested Parties to comment on the information provided in response to the Secretary of State's requests of 19 September 2024 and 15 October 2024. The deadline for receipt of comments/the information is 9 December 2024.

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/document/EN010132-002003>

You can also view the letter under the Documents tab on the project webpage of the National Infrastructure Planning website:

<https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010132/documents>

Yours faithfully

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Your ref EN010132

9 December 2024

Dear Sir

Planning Act 2008 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010

Application by West Burton Solar Project Limited (“the Applicant”) for an Order granting Development Consent for the proposed West Burton Solar Project (“the Application”)

We act on behalf of EDF Energy (Thermal Generation) Limited (“EDF”) who are registered as an interested party (interested party number 20038306) in respect of the Application. We write in response to your letter dated 7 November 2024 inviting comments on information provided in response to the Secretary of State’s requests of 19 September 2024 and 15 October 2024.

We note that, in response to the Secretary of State’s request on 15 October 2024 the Applicant submitted a Schedule of Changes Revision H (RFI 2) (Document reference: DEC/WB8.1.8_H). We note also that a further Schedule of Changes (Revision I (RFI 3), Document reference: DEC/WB8.1.8_I) was submitted on 4 December 2024. The Schedule of Changes includes proposed amendments to the draft Development Consent Order (Schedule 16 - Protective Provisions – Part 18 – For the Protection of EDF Energy (Thermal Generation) Limited) to reflect ongoing negotiation of the form of EDF’s protective provisions.

EDF welcomes the amendments made. However, it remains EDF’s position (as set out in its response to the request for further information dated 31 October 2024 and its submissions at Deadline 7 (REP7-027)) that its preferred wording must be included at paragraphs 238(1), (2), (4) and (5) (*acquisition of land*) restricting the usage of compulsory acquisition powers without an agreement. This preferred wording is set out in EDF’s Deadline 7 Submission (REP7-027).

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If the DCO were granted without EDF's preferred wording, this would result in a serious detriment to EDF's undertaking.

Yours faithfully



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