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For the attention of: Planning Inspectorate

Lincolnshire County Council

[By email: CottamSolarProject@planninginspectorate.gov.uk]

29 December 2023

Dear Planning Inspectorate

Re: EN010133 Cottam Solar Project

Application for additional land for the Cottam Solar Project ; COTTAM SOLAR PROJECT, LINCOLNSHIRE

Thank you for your notification of 18 December 2023 seeking the views of the Coal Authority on the above.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero. As a statutory consultee, the Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

The site to which this submission relates is not located within the defined coalfield. On this basis we have no specific comment to make.

Yours

The Coal Authority Planning Team

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