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Subject: Mona Offshore Wind Farm Scheme- NFU Affected Party: G Lloyd Evans & Sons, Bryn Hen.
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Dear Sirs

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**MONA OFF SHORE WIND FARM - G LLOYD EVANS & SONS, BRYN HEN, GROESFFORDD
MARLI, LL22 9ED**
REGISTRATION ID: 20048549

Following on from the written submission submitted to you on the 6th December by Susie Griffiths of J Bradburne Price, the information given by Huw Evans at the Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 2 on the 11th December 2024 and issues raised by Louise Staples of the NFU we would like to highlight the following:

1. After evidence given at the hearing which confirms that there are two long sections of the under-ground cable lengths within the whole scheme to be direct drilled and that these lengths are guaranteed, we see no reason why the requested length of 450m through the grazing platform land at Bryn Hen cannot be guaranteed. We believe the only reason is financial and this is why the Applicant is not prepared to guarantee the length in the specific area requested. We believe the Applicant is not taking into consideration the main impact to the dairy herd which will take considerable years to rebuild or the financial impact to the Bryn Hen farming enterprise. Paying compensation will not enable the dairy cows to stay on the holding, the Applicant needs to realise that this is not an arable farm where compensation can be paid for loss of crop/ contract and where the following year the crop is resown and the contract fulfilled.
2. As stated by Huw Evans at the hearing they are prepared to work with the Applicant and be flexible on the direct drill if at the time of construction there was an area that could not be direct drilled for a good engineering reason.
3. An email has today, 20th December been sent to the Applicant requesting a meeting to discuss this further and see how this could be agreed in the voluntary Heads of Terms. It is disappointing that the Applicant has not been in contact with either the NFU, J Bradburne Price or G Lloyd Evans & Sons to request a meeting as was suggested at the hearing.
4. The NFU believes that the Applicant is now not trying to negotiate on a parallel basis with formal processes and the failure to conduct such negotiations is now depriving the landowners of the benefit that an agreement on the 450m being direct drilled could bring to completely change the impact of the scheme to the dairy enterprise and the farm business. Direct drilling the 450m in the specific location requested can achieve a completely different outcome for the farm business.
5. The NFU and the land agent acting believe that a compelling case cannot be made by the Applicant to open trench the area of land in question rather than direct drill and so as it stands a Development Consent Order should not be granted.
6. The Applicant needs to agree wording in either the voluntary Heads of Terms or

wording needs to be included within the DCO that confirms that the 450m section in question will be direct drilled except if there is a engineering reason that means direct drilling is not possible and how this will be communicated by contractors during construction to still minimise any area that has to be open trench.

7. This difference should be highlighted as an outstanding matter within the Lands Tracker.

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Yours faithfully

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