

24<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Sir or Madam,

**Helios Renewable Energy Project**

**Section 46 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended)**

**Duty to notify Secretary of State of proposed application**

I am writing to notify you in accordance with Section 46 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended) (the "2008 Act") that Enso Green Holdings D Limited (the "Applicant") intends to apply to the Secretary of State under Section 37 of the 2008 Act for a Development Consent Order ("DCO") for the construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of a renewable energy generating project known as Helios Renewable Energy Project (the Proposed Development).

The Proposed Development comprises the installation of ground mounted solar arrays, energy storage and associated development including grid connection infrastructure and other infrastructure integral to the construction, operation, and maintenance of the development for the delivery of over 50 megawatts (MW) of electricity. The Proposed Development is located on to the south-west of the village of Camblesforth and to the north of the village of Hirst Courtney in North Yorkshire, within the administrative area of North Yorkshire Council.

The proposed DCO will, amongst other things, authorise:

- Solar PV modules and mounting structures;
- Field stations including invertors, transformers and switchgears;
- On-Site substation;
- Battery energy storage system;
- Underground cables connecting the areas of solar PV modules to the onsite substation and from there to the national grid at Drax Power Station;
- Compounds, fencing, security and ancillary infrastructure;
- Access works;
- Environmental mitigation and enhancement measures, such as archaeological mitigation, and landscape and ecological mitigation and enhancements;
- Temporary construction areas together with works to secure construction access for the Proposed Development;

- The temporary and permanent compulsory acquisition of land and/or rights which are required for the Proposed Development and/or are required to facilitate or are incidental to the Proposed Development;
- Overriding easements and other rights over or affecting the land for the Proposed Development;
- The application and or disapplication of legislation relevant to the Proposed Development including legislation relating to compulsory acquisition; and
- Such ancillary, incidental and consequential provisions, permits and consents as are necessary and convenient.

The Applicant intends to submit the application following a period of statutory pre-application consultation carried out in accordance with Sections 42, 47 and 48 of the 2008 Act, the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 and the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. This consultation will run from 26 October 2023 to 7 December 2023.

Under Section 46 of the 2008 Act, the Applicant is required to provide the Secretary of State with the information that it intends to provide to consultees under Section 42. This material is provided at the following secure download link: [https://www.dropbox.com/sh/vypvz35dvpdvj01/AAAI7D\\_ZIQv\\_R-xFDWnTOojxa?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/vypvz35dvpdvj01/AAAI7D_ZIQv_R-xFDWnTOojxa?dl=0). The consultation materials provided at this link are:

- Letters notifying stakeholders of the consultation;
  - Prescribed consultees under Section 42
  - Local Authorities under Section 43
  - Land interests under Section 44
  - Local community under Section 47
- Section 48 notice;
- Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) and PEIR Non-Technical Summary (NTS);
- Consultation plans/drawings;
- Consultation brochure;
- Consultation summary document;
- Statutory consultation newsletter;
- Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)
- Consultation banners; and
- Consultation feedback form.

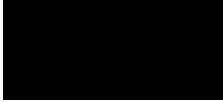
From 26 October 2023, copies of the consultation documents will be available to view, free of charge, on the website for the Proposed Development: <https://www.helios-renewable-energy-project.co.uk/consultation/>. Further details of the consultation arrangements can be found on the website and in the enclosed Section 48 Notice.

Should you have any queries on the consultation documents or any other element of the Helios Renewable Energy Project, you can contact us in the following ways:



- Visit the project website
- [REDACTED]
- Email [info@helios-renewable-energy-project.co.uk](mailto:info@helios-renewable-energy-project.co.uk)
- Write to FREEPOST TC CONSULTATION (no further address or stamp required)

Yours sincerely



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