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**Subject:** NWWF: Letters to the Ex A [PM-AC.FID1384700]

Dear Sirs,

Please find attached soft copies of the following letters:

- Covering letter from Pinsent Masons to the Examining Authority of today's date.
- Letter from Natural Resources Wales to Pinsent Masons dated 2 July 2015.

Hard copies of these letters will follow in the post.

I should be grateful if you would please confirm receipt.

Regards

Jake Dabscheck



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22 July 2015

Dear Sirs

## **SP MANWEB PLC: NORTH WALES WIND FARMS CONNECTION ORDER SECTION 135 PLANNING ACT**

We act for SP Manweb Plc ("**SP Manweb**") in respect of its application for development consent ("**Application**") for a 132 kV Overhead Line together with required pedestrian and vehicular access, temporary construction compound, construction lay areas, mitigation planting and other integral works ("**Proposed Development**").

As the Examining Authority will be aware the draft DCO includes provisions which apply in relation to Crown land, which necessitates consent to be provided by the appropriate Crown Authority pursuant to S.135(2) of the Planning Act 2008 ("**Act**"). The appropriate Crown Authority in respect of plots 1, 1A, 1B, 3 and 3A is the Welsh Ministers, pursuant to section 227(5)(b) of the Act.

We write to confirm that the Welsh Ministers (through their agents, Natural Resources Wales ("**NRW**")) have provided consent pursuant to section 135(2) of the Act. We enclose correspondence dated 2 July 2015 which confirms the position.

Yours faithfully

Pinsent Masons LLP

Enclosure(s): Letter from NRW dated 2 July 2015

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2<sup>nd</sup> July 2015

Dear Sir

**SP Manweb Plc - North Wales Wind Farms Connection Order**  
**Planning Inspectorate Reference Number : EN020014**  
**Section 135 of the Planning Act 2008.**

SP Manweb PLC ("SP Manweb") made an application for development consent to the Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change to construct and install a 132 kV electric line above ground between Clocaenog Forest to a terminal point south of Glascoed Road, B5381, near to St Asaph (the "Proposed Development") on the 20 March 2015. The application was accepted for examination on 17 April 2015.

The application for development consent includes provisions which apply in relation to Crown Land and in which the Welsh Ministers are the appropriate Crown Authority (see section 227(5)(b) of the Planning Act 2008).

By virtue of this letter, the Welsh Ministers, acting via Natural Resources Wales, provide confirmation of consent to the terms of the Development Consent Order for the Proposed Development pursuant to s135 of the Planning Act 2008

For the avoidance of doubt, this letter should not be taken as Secretary of State Consent to the Development Consent Order, nor does it relate to any commercial negotiation between SP Manweb PLC and Natural Resources Wales


Yours faithfully

Mari Sibley – Principal Surveyor

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Signed by and on behalf of **The Welsh Ministers**  
(in the capacity of appropriate Crown authority for the purposes of section 135 and 227 of the 2008 Act)

Name (Print) **Mari Sibley**

Signature  .....

Date..... 2/7/15 .....