

## SP MANWEB PLC

### NOTICE UNDER REGULATION 8 INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (COMPULSORY ACQUISITION) REGULATIONS 2010

#### THE NORTH WALES WIND FARMS CONNECTION ORDER (PLANNING INSPECTORATE REFERENCE EN020014)

#### NOTICE OF PROVISION FOR POWERS OF COMPULSORY APPLICATION IN RESPECT OF ADDITIONAL LAND

Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change ("**Secretary of State**") has accepted an application for a Development Consent Order ("**DCO**") for the construction and installation, operation and maintenance of an approximate 17 kilometre 132,000 volt (132kV) electric line above ground (electricity distribution connection) in North Wales ("**the Proposed Development**"), made by SP Manweb Plc ("**SP Manweb**") of 3 Prenton Way, Prenton, Merseyside, CH43 3ET under the Planning Act 2008 ("**the Application**"). The Application was submitted to the Secretary of State on Friday 20 March 2015 and accepted for examination on Friday 17 April 2015. The examination of the Application is ongoing. The reference number applied by the Planning Inspectorate, on behalf of the Secretary of State, to the Application is EN020014.

**On 16 September 2015 SP Manweb submitted to the Secretary of State a request for the DCO to include authorisation for the compulsory acquisition of interests in and rights over additional land for the Proposed Development ("the Proposed Provision"). The request for the Proposed Provision was subsequently accepted by the Secretary of State on 2 October 2015. This means that the proposed compulsory acquisition of the additional land will be considered as part of the examination of the Application.**

#### SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

The Application seeks consent for the construction and installation, operation and maintenance of an approximate 17 kilometre 132,000 volt (132kV) electric line above ground (electricity distribution connection) from a collector substation at Clocaenog Forest, Denbighshire, to a terminal point located to the south of the unnamed Groesffordd Marli to Glascoed Road and the B5381 (Glascoed Road) near to St Asaph, Denbighshire comprising:

1. Construction and installation, operation and maintenance of an approximately 17 kilometre 132 kV wood pole overhead line;
2. Temporary construction compound at Broadleys farm, A453, Denbighshire and temporary storage or laydown areas along the alignment;
3. Access points for pedestrians and vehicles along the length of the route alignment for construction and maintenance;
4. Landscaping and ecological measures to restore trees and other vegetation that have been removed during construction;
5. Landscaping to mitigate adverse effects; and
6. Other integral works such as site preparation and clearance, tree felling or lopping and clearance of vegetation, earth works, alteration of existing services and minor street works.

If made the DCO would, amongst other things, also make provision for:

1. The compulsory acquisition by SP Manweb of rights over additional land, including the power to create new rights and impose restrictive covenants over land, and to take possession of and use land temporarily, for the purpose of constructing and installing, operating and maintaining the Proposed Development;
2. The overriding of easements and other rights over or affecting land for the Proposed Development;
3. Alterations to the public highway network and the construction of temporary and permanent accesses to the overhead line route and construction compounds;
4. The temporary stopping up or management of the public highway and public rights of way as described in the Application; and
5. The application or disapplication of legislation relevant to the Proposed Development and described in the Application.

## SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED PROVISION

The Proposed Provision seeks powers of compulsory acquisition in respect of additional land at the following locations ("the **Additional Land**"):

Pole Changes	Description of Land
Indicative pole locations 7-15	<p>Locations 7, 8, 9, 9B, 10, 11, 12 – land forming part of agricultural land, fencing, hedgerows, track and gate situated to the west of Hafodty Ddu, in the county of Denbighshire; public adopted highway known as the Hafodty Ty Ddu Road (unnamed) together with grass embankment and fencing situated to the west of Hafodty Ddu, in the county of Denbighshire</p> <p>Locations 13, 14, 15 – land forming part of agricultural land and hedgerow situated to the north of Hafodty Ddu, in the county of Denbighshire</p>
Indicative pole locations 55-61	<p>Locations 54, 55, 56 – land forming part of agricultural land, hedgerows, fencing a, gates, woodland and electricity distribution lines situated to the north east of Tan Yr Allt, in the county of Denbighshire</p> <p>Locations 57, 58 – land forming part of agricultural land, hedgerows, fencing and woodland situated to the north east of Tan Yr Allt, in the county of Denbighshire; agricultural land, fencing, trees and part of Public Footpath 22 situated to the south west of Tan Y Garth, in the county of Denbighshire</p> <p>Locations 59, 60 – land forming part of agricultural land, hedgerows, fencing, trees, spring and drain and pond situated to the west of Tan Y Garth, in the county of Denbighshire</p>
Indicative pole locations 62-69	<p>Locations 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67 – land forming part of agricultural land, hedgerows, fencing, trees, spring, drain and pond situated to the west of Tan Y Garth, in the county of Denbighshire; agricultural land, hedgerow, fencing, stream, trees and part of Public Footpath 21 situated to the south west of Hendy College, in the county of Denbighshire</p> <p>Locations 68, 69 – land forming part of agricultural land, hedgerows, fencing, gate, electricity distribution lines over, telecommunication lines over situated to the south of the B4501 and to the west of Hendy College, in the county of Denbighshire; public adopted highway known as the Denbigh to Cerrigydrudion road (B4501) together with hedgerows, gate and telecommunications lines over situated to the west of Hendy College, in the county of Denbighshire</p>
Indicative pole location 96	<p>Location 96 – land forming part of agricultural land, trees, fencing, hedgerow, gate, telecommunications lines over and pole situated to the south west of Bach and to the west of Ffordd Gwaenynog (Bodeiliog Road), in the county of Conwy; agricultural land, hedgerows, fencing, stream, gate, trees and part of Llansannan Public Footpath 79 situated to the west of Bach, in the county of Conwy</p>
Indicative pole locations 117-121	<p>Locations 117, 118, 119, 120, 121 – land forming part of agricultural land, tree and gate situated to the north west of Beacon Hill, in the county of Denbighshire; agricultural land, stream, hedgerow, culvert, trees and part of Public Footpath 65 situated to the east of Eriviat Park, in the county of Conwy</p>
Indicative pole locations 175-177	<p>Locations 175, 176 – land forming part of agricultural land and hedgerow situated to the east of Tyddyn Bartley, in the county of Conwy; agricultural land, hedgerow, gate and fence situated to the south of Croen Llwm Mawr, in the county of Conwy</p>
Indicative pole locations 178-188	<p>Locations 178, 179, 180 – land forming part of agricultural land, woodland, wooded area and electricity distribution lines over situated to the west of Croen Llwm Mawr, in the county of Conwy</p> <p>Location 181 – land forming part of Croen Llwm Brook situated to the west and north west of Croen Llwm Mawr, in the county of Conwy; woodland situated to the west and north west of Croen Llwm Mawr, in the county of Conwy</p> <p>Locations 182, 183, 185, 184 – land forming part of agricultural land, gates, track, hedgerows and woodland situated to the north west of Croen Llwm Mawr, in the county of Conwy; public adopted highway known as Bontnewydd Road together with gates and hedgerow situated to the south west of Bryniau Bychain for the purpose of a temporary means of access, in the county of Conwy</p> <p>Locations 186, 187, 188 – land forming part of woodland and stream situated to the south of Bontnewydd Road and to the east of Tal Y Bryn, in the county of Conwy; public adopted highway known as Bontnewydd Road together with hedgerows</p>

	situated to the west of Bryniau Bychain, in the county of Conwy; agricultural land, hedgerow, fence, trees and stream situated to the north of Bontnewydd Road and to the west of Bryniau Bychain, in the county of Conwy
Indicative pole locations 210-214	Locations 210, 211, 212, 212A, 213 – land forming part of agricultural land, trees, hedgerows, fencing, electricity distribution lines over, telecommunications lines over and pole situated to the north of the River Elwy and to the west of Coed y Fadir, in the county of Denbighshire  Location 214 - land forming part of agricultural land, trees, hedgerows, fencing, electricity distribution lines over, telecommunications lines over and pole situated to the north of the River Elwy and to the west of Coed y Fadir, in the county of Denbighshire; agricultural land, hedgerows and trees situated to the east of Coed Plas-newydd for the purpose of a temporary means of access, in the county of Denbighshire; public adopted highway known as the Groesffordd Marli to Cefn Meiriadog road (un-named) and hedgerows, telecommunications lines over and pole situated to the east of Plas Hafod, in the county of Denbighshire; agricultural land, hedgerows, fencing, trees and telecommunications lines over situated to the east of Coed Plas-newydd, in the county of Denbighshire

For each of the 8 pole changes, the area of land sought is relatively small and of a localised nature (as shown more particularly in the application documents referenced below), and does not include any land where there are new land interests. In other words, no new persons would be affected by the application for Additional Land.

The reasons why the Additional Land is required are explained below.

#### **STATEMENT OF REASONS RELATING TO THE ADDITIONAL LAND**

The Additional Land included within the Proposed Provision is required as a consequence of on going consultation with landowners. Landowners have made suggestions for amendments to the Proposed Development and SP Manweb has sought to accommodate those changes where possible.

<b>Pole Changes</b>	<b>Statement of Reasons relating to the Additional Land</b>
Indicative pole locations 7-15	Amend indicative location of pole 7 including additional pole 9b so that the pole is not in the corner of the field.
Indicative pole locations 55-61	Amend indicative location of pole 59 away from the hedge to allow access south from the pole.
Indicative pole locations 62-69	Amend indicative location of pole 64 and 66 south approximately 6 metres so that they are closer to the hedgerow.
Indicative pole location 96	Amend indicative location of pole 90, 92 and 96 such that they are placed on hedge lines.
Indicative pole locations 117-121	Amend indicative location of pole 119 so as to place the pole on the east side of the hedgerow to enable improved access into the field. The change in position of the illustrative location for pole 119 is limited to approximately 10 metres to the east.
Indicative pole locations 175-177	Amend indicative location of pole 176 to 177 to avoid poles in the middle of future building plot.
Indicative pole locations 178-188	Amend indicative location of pole 178 to 179 to be moved to the boundary and Poles 182 and 184 to be moved north to the field boundaries.
Indicative pole locations 210-214	Amend indicative location of pole 211 to 213 including additional pole 212a to move the line further to the east of the field to address the landowner's request regarding the visibility of the Proposed Development from their property.

#### **COPIES OF THE APPLICATION DOCUMENTS**

Copies of the following documents may be inspected free of charge from 7 October 2015 until 13 November 2015 (inclusive) at the times and locations set out in the table below (opening times may vary; viewing at some locations is limited to the days and times listed):

1. The application for the Additional Land submitted to the Secretary of State, which includes:
  - a. a copy of the Proposed Provision;
  - b. a statement of reasons as to why the Additional Land is required;
  - c. a book of reference identifying affected land interests; and
  - d. plans, maps and section drawings showing the location and proposed use of the Additional Land.
2. A map showing the location of the Additional Land in the context of the Proposed Development.

3. A copy of the revisions made to the draft DCO to make provision for the Additional Land.
4. An Environmental Report in support of the Proposed Provision ("the **Environmental Report**").

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<b>Thursday</b>	1.00pm - 5.00pm	Closed
<b>Friday</b>	9.30am - 5.00pm	9.30am - 4.00pm
<b>Saturday</b>	9.30am - 12.30pm	Closed
<b>Sunday</b>	Closed	Closed

The documents listed above (and all other Application documents and plans) are also available to view online through the Planning Inspectorate's website:

<http://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/NWWFconnection>

Copies of the documents listed above may be requested from SP Manweb by using the contact details at the end of this notice. Subject to reasonable requests these documents will be provided free of charge. Paper copies of other Application documents are also available on request and a charge may apply.

#### **MAKING REPRESENTATIONS ABOUT THE PROPOSED COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF THE ADDITIONAL LAND AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT**

Any representations (giving notice of any interest in or objection to the Proposed Provision for the compulsory acquisition of the Additional Land and/or any representations relating to the Environmental Report) must be made on the Planning Inspectorate's Registration and Relevant Representation Form which can be accessed and completed online by following the instructions at the relevant link:

<http://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/NWWFconnection>

If you would like to request a paper copy of the Planning Inspectorate's Registration and Relevant Representation Form please telephone 0303 444 5000. Completed forms should then be sent to: The Planning Inspectorate, National Infrastructure Directorate, Temple Quay House, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN. The Planning Inspectorate reference number for the Application (EN020014) should be quoted in any correspondence.

Please note that representations must be received by the Planning Inspectorate by **midday (12:00pm) on 13 November 2015**. Representations will be made public by the Planning Inspectorate.

Further information about the Proposed Development may be obtained from SP Manweb:

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