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Dear Sirs

PLANNING ACT 2008

APPLICATION BY SP MANWEB FOR DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR THE NORTH WALES WIND FARMS CONNECTION

I am writing in response to the Rule 8 letter published by the Planning Inspectorate on 4 August 2015, and the requirements of Deadline 4.

ENCLOSURE OF RELEVANT DOCUMENTS

In accordance with the timetable set by the Examining Authority, I enclose the following documents submitted for the applicant, SP Manweb Plc ("SP Manweb"):

1. The appendices to the written summary of oral representations made at the Compulsory Acquisition hearings dated 24 and 25 September 2015 that represent SP Manweb's Deadline 4 responses and any additional documentation submitted as a response to an action from the hearing;
2. The appendices to the written summary of oral representations made at the Issue Specific Hearing (day 1) dated 29 September 2015 that represent SP Manweb's Deadline 4 responses and any additional documentation submitted as a response to an action from the hearing;
3. The appendices to the written summary of oral representations made at the Issue Specific Hearing (day 2) dated 30 September 2015 that represent SP Manweb's Deadline 4 responses and any additional documentation submitted as a response to an action from the hearing;
4. The appendices to the written summary of oral representations made at the Issue Specific Hearing (day 3) dated 1 October 2015 that represent SP Manweb's Deadline 4 responses and any additional documentation submitted as a response to an action from the hearing;
5. Revised draft of the Landscaping Plans (Version 2) (Document Reference SPM NWWFC Landscaping Plans (Sheets 1-13) in response to the Examining Authority's question regarding important and unimportant hedgerows at the Compulsory Acquisition hearings;
6. SP Manweb's Response to the written submission provided by Mr John Fleet at Deadline 1;

7. SP Manweb's Response to the written submission relating to Option A matters provided by Mr Eifion Bibby at Deadline 1;
8. SP Manweb's Response to the written submission provided by Pylon the Pressure at Deadline 1;
9. SP Manweb's responses to late Deadline 2 representations, providing a summary of the representations provided and signposting to previous submissions made;
10. SP Manweb's Response to the written submission provided by Mr Robin Barlow at Deadline 2;
11. Revised draft of the Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) (Version 3)(Document Reference 6.18v3);
12. Comparite showing amendments made to the CEMP between Version 2 and Version 3;
13. Revised draft of the Outline Traffic Management Plan (TMP) (Version 2) (Document Reference 6.18Ev2);
14. Comparite showing amendments made to the TMP between Version 1 and Version 2;
15. Revised draft of the Ecological Management Plan (EcMP) (Version 2) (Document Reference 6.18Dv2);
16. Comparite showing amendments made to the EcMP between Version 1 and Version 2;
17. Schedule of changes to the Outline Hedgerow Management Plan (HMP) (Document Reference SPM NWWFC HMPSOC);
18. A revised draft of the Outline Landscape Management Plan (OLMP) (Version 2) (Document Reference 6.20.6v2). This has been submitted to remove references to Ash;
19. Comparite showing amendments made to the OLMP between Version 1 and Version 2;
20. A document summarising and confirming the versions of the CEMP, TMP, EcMP, HMP and OLMP submitted to the Examining Authority;
21. Action 8 of the Action Points List provided by the Examining Authority following the Compulsory Acquisition Hearings - Landowner and Part 3 Interest Negotiations (Document reference SPM NWFCC LP3IN);
22. Guidance document Working Safely Near Overhead Electric Power Lines (Health and Safety Executive);
23. Note on the operation of Section 135 of the Planning Act 2008; and
24. Action 9b on the Action Points List provided by the Examining Authority following Day One of the Issue Specific Hearings – Lifetime Costs Report.

SP Manweb has provided responses to the Action Points published by the Examining Authority on 6th October 2015 as appendices, which sit behind each of the written summaries of the oral representations. SP Manweb has produced an index at the front of each set of appendices setting out the documents included in that appendix bundle. The appendices reference and list

the actions requested for both Deadline 3 and Deadline 4, albeit a response or document will of course only be provided for those documents that have been readied in accordance with this Deadline 4.

The Examining Authority should also note that a number of documents and responses were requested during the course of the hearings, which were not documented in the Action Lists published by the Examining Authority on 6th October 2015. As such, SP Manweb has referenced such actions within the appendices and has submitted these for Deadline 4, unless otherwise indicated.

SP Manweb has not submitted for Deadline 4 comments on post-hearing documents received from third parties for Deadline 3, as notified to the PINS Case Manager last Friday 30th October. SP Manweb is currently working on these and will submit them to PINS by the latest Monday 9th November, if not before.

UPDATE ON OTHER DOCUMENTATION

1. Actions 26 and 27 from the Issue Specific Hearing Day 2 (30th September 2015), were as follows:
 - (a) Action 26: The Applicant in conjunction with NRW is to provide an update as to where discussions with NRW are with regards to licensing - The Panel is happy for points 26 and 27 to both be addressed through the Statement of Common Ground.
 - (b) Action 27: A Statement of Common Ground with NRW is to be submitted and is to include reference as to NRW agreeing the proposed mitigation strategy for dormice.

The Examining Authority requested that these actions were prepared and submitted for Deadline 3. No Statement of Common Ground has yet been agreed between the parties. NRW has recently returned the draft Statement of Common Ground to SPM and it is currently being considered. The parties are in active discussion and hope to be able to submit a signed Statement of Common Ground to the Examining Authority shortly.

2. The Examining Authority requested in its action list for day 4 of the issue specific hearings that NRW and the Applicant to consider the drafting of Article 19 in relation to Section 135(1) and if necessary the Applicant to redraft and to circulate to NRW for agreement and for both parties to submit an agreed note to the Panel. SP Manweb has produced a draft note for consideration by NRW. This was sent to NRW on 10 October 2015 for consideration. To date SP Manweb has not received any comments back on the draft, although it has continued to engage with NRW since the hearings. SP Manweb therefore includes with its submission a draft note in respect of the operation of S.135 of the Planning Act 2008, which has not been agreed with NRW. For the reasons explained in the note no changes are proposed to be made to Article 19 of the Draft DCO.

If you have any queries in relation to this submission, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



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SP Energy Networks, for and on behalf of SP Manweb