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Our Ref: EN020014

Date: 23 April 2015

Dear Mrs Morris

Application by SP Manweb for the North Wales Wind Farms Connection

Thank you for your email of 16 April 2015 informing the Planning Inspectorate that SP Manweb had addressed correspondence relating to this proposal to the previous owners of your property.

The Secretary of State has taken your concerns into account when making their decision to accept the application for examination. The s55 checklist explains the Secretary of State's reasoning in making this decision. This has been published at:

http://infrastructure.planningportal.gov.uk/wpcontent/ipc/uploads/projects/EN020014/2.%20Post-Submission/Procedural%20Decisions/Section%2055%20Checklist.pdf

Your case is included in box 2.3(d) of the checklist:

Another land owner has made themselves known to the Planning Inspectorate reporting that the change in ownership of their property has not been reflected in the Book of Reference or the list of statutory consultees, despite them notifying the applicant. The applicant should ensure that their Book of Reference is up to date, but it appears that the interests of the new owners were not prejudiced in this instance as they were aware of the consultation.

Advice was also given to the applicant in relation to this omission in the summary to s55(3)(e) in the s55 checklist:

The applicant is urged to investigate the claims of omitted consultees and ensure that all appropriate parties are notified in accordance with s56, noting the penalties in s58 for failure to comply.

SP Manweb must now give notice under s56 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008) that their application has been accepted for examination, which includes notifying all



owners, lesees, tenants, occupiers of and persons interested in the land to which the application relates. When this is done, SP Manweb must certify that all prescribed persons have been notified. It is an offence (for applicants) to issue a certificate which the person knows to be false, or to recklessly issue a false certificate.

SP Manweb have assured us that the Book of Reference is being updated. I have sent them your details so that they can include you in their revised Book of Reference.

Following the giving of notice under s56, you will be able to make a relevant representation. This will enable you to put your views on the merits of the scheme to the Examining Authority.

The Planning Inspectorate has produced advice notes on the planning process under the PA2008. I have provided links to those advice notes that are relevant to the next steps in the process; I hope you will find these helpful:

Advice note 8.3: How to register and become an interested party in an application http://infrastructure.planningportal.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/Advice-note-8-3v4.pdf

Advice note 8.4: Influencing how an application will be examined – the Preliminary Meeting

http://infrastructure.planningportal.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/Advice-note-8-4v3.pdf

Advice note 8.5: Participating in the examination http://infrastructure.planningportal.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/Advice-note-8-5v3.pdf

Please do get in touch by email or phone if I can be of assistance.

Yours sincerely

Nicholas Coombes

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Advice may be given about applying for an order granting development consent or making representations about an application (or a proposed application). This communication does not however constitute legal advice upon which you can rely and you should obtain your own legal advice and professional advice as required.

A record of the advice which is provided will be recorded on the Planning Inspectorate website together with the name of the person or organisation who asked for the advice. The privacy of any other personal information will be protected in accordance with our Information Charter which you should view before sending information to the Planning Inspectorate.

