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Your Ref:

Our Ref: EN010014

Date: 9 September 2015

Dear Mr Jones

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) (PA 2008) and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended) (EPR) – Section 88 and Rule 6

Application by Western Power Distribution (South Wales) plc for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Brechfa Forest Connection

Other Person status in examination

Thank you for your letter of 6 August 2015 in relation to the above project. The Planning Inspectorate advises that representations during the pre-examination stage be submitted on a 'relevant representation form'; however the deadline for submitting relevant representation forms on behalf of your clients has now passed.

Having reviewed your submission, I note that 20 of the 21 clients you represent have been included in a Book of Reference detailing land owners and/or occupiers by the applicant. Those persons identified in the Book of Reference are automatically given interested parties status, having the opportunity to participate in the examination of the application and will be informed of the progress of the examination by the Planning Inspectorate.

I note that Mr Alun Thomas (no. 19) is not included in the applicant's Book of Reference and therefore does not have interested party status. There is provision under s102A of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended) (PA2008) where a person may ask the Examining Authority (ExA) to become an interested party. In general terms this person must be an owner, lessee, tenant or occupier of the land or is interested in the land or has power to sell and convey the land or release the land and has not already been notified in accordance with s56(2)(d) PA2008, or that the person on implementation of a scheme would be entitled to make a relevant claim.

However, your submission has now been reviewed by the ExA and a decision has been taken to provide you with 'Other Person' (OP) status in the examination. Your

Representation will be published on the project webpage and you will receive relevant correspondence from the Examining Authority in relation to this examination.

Under Section 88(3) of the PA2008 and Rule 6(1) of the Examination Procedure Rules (EPR), the ExA can invite other persons they consider to be appropriate to the preliminary meeting (PM). Any person who is invited to the PM in this way will also be sent, for information purposes, the Rule 8 letter which confirms the examination timetable. They will also be sent any amendments to that timetable under Rule 8(3) of the EPR.

Importantly you should be aware that there is no automatic right for other persons to make representations during the course of the examination, as they do not have the status of interested parties. If you wish to make representations however, you should submit them to the ExA to the appropriate deadlines set out in the examination timetable. You may also request to speak at any hearings. Under the EPR the ExA has discretion to allow representations from other persons, both written and oral, to be read or heard in conjunction with the examination.

Any person may make a request to become an interested party if they meet the criteria in s102A of the PA2008. If you have a legal interest in land affected by the scheme and have not already registered to become an interested party, then you can make a request to the ExA to become an interested party under s102A of the PA2008.

If you have any questions, or require clarification in relation to the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Nicholas Coombes

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Case Manager

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.