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Subject: Response to WPD Review of Proposals

FAO: Mr Andrew Hubbard

4th April 2016

Dear Mr Hubbard

Further to my e-mail of yesterday and my telephone conversation this afternoon with Jason from your community relations helpline.

Mr & Mrs Davies and Mr & Mrs Reader have met and considered the Western Power Distribution review document of proposals to re-align a section of OHL. Our response is attached.

As outlined in our response both Land Owners are in agreement that delivery of Option 3, combined with the under grounding of the existing 11kV line as proposed in the review, would enable us to move forward towards entering into a voluntary agreement.

As suggested by the examining authority I have alerted your office that this e-mail will be coming to you this afternoon, to provide Western Power Distribution with as much time as possible, should you wish to make a response to PINs prior to the close of the examination.

We look forward to hearing from you in due course,
Your sincerely
Mr & Mrs B Davies
Mr & Mrs K Reader

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Response by Mrs & Mrs B Davies and Mr & Mrs K Reader to:-

Western Power Distribution / March 2016 / Review of proposals to re-align a section of OHL on land at Penwaun and Llwyn Newydd

We thank Western Power Distribution for meeting with us on 4th March 2016 and for the Review Document of proposals to re-align a section of the OHL where it crosses our properties.

When we met on 4th March, and as we confirmed in our follow-up letter, we requested that we were included in the review of our suggested alternative options and to be involved in the development of any further options so we could consider alternatives and compromises. Western Power Distribution chose not to involve us, however the technically compliant option, Option 3, which has been devised has addressed our concerns.

We do not consider that Option 4 addresses our concerns and as there is now a technically compliant option available which does we would not enter into an agreement based on Option 4.

We disagree with Western Power Distribution's conclusion that Option 3 would not delivery sufficient benefit to justify the less direct alignment. The % increase to the total length of the line required to deliver Option 3 is not provided in the review but we consider it will not be significant. As Western Power Distriubution's QC stated in the Hearings, Holford Rules are often contradictory and in this instance we consider Holford Rule 3 irrelevant.

We have considered Option 3 and both parties are in agreement that this option is acceptable and will deliver real benefit to both Land Owners. Option 3 replicates Mr & Mrs Reader's submission at Stage 3 Consultation, for the section crossing their land and into Mr & Mrs Davies' land.

Mr & Mrs Davies are pleased that the review acknowledges that the project has the potential for significant visual effects on their property and welcomes the proposals to further mitigation by way of undergrounding the existing 11kV line, as outlined in 5.4.1 of the review.