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Dear Ms Jones

EN020019: Triton Knoll Electrical System Project ("the Project")

Introduction

I am writing on behalf of National Grid Viking Link Limited ("NGVLL").

NGVLL, together with its development partner Energinet.dk, are proposing to develop an interconnector between Great Britain and Denmark.

Triton Knoll Electrical System Project Preliminary Meeting

NGVLL have registered as an interested party (Registration Identification Number 10031348) in respect of the Project and I confirm that representatives of NGVLL will attend the Preliminary Meeting on 3 September 2015.

The Viking Link Interconnector Project has been included in the initial assessment of principal issues for the Project in the Rule 6 Letter in relation to onshore environmental cumulative effects. NGVLL wishes to make representations in relation to this issue at the Preliminary Meeting.

Observations on Relevant Representations and Inclusion of Viking Link Interconnector as Principal Issue in Rule 6 Letter

NGVLL note that a number of the relevant representations submitted for the Project include reference to the proposed Viking Link Interconnector Project. These comments relate to the assessment of cumulative effects and requests for a joint inquiry process for the two schemes.

NGVLL are concerned to assist the Examination as far as possible, but are very concerned at the inclusion of the cumulative impacts relating to the Viking Link Interconnector as a principal issue for the Project in the Rule 6 letter. Whilst it has been decided that the final connection point to the national grid will be at Bicker Fen, Lincolnshire, the Viking Link Interconnector Project is at a very early and formative stage of development in comparison to the Project.

NGVLL remain uncertain as to the project programme for Viking Link and can confirm at this stage that both the location of the convertor station and the cable route have yet to be identified. As such, NGVLL remain sceptical as to the extent to which the Project team can





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effectively assess any issues of cumulative impact in relation to the Viking Link Interconnector. In our view, it is not possible to undertake a useful or effective assessment of cumulative effects of the two projects and this position is unlikely to change during the course of the Examination.

NGVLL have registered as an interested party for the Project in order to assist with the Examination in any way possible and will comment where necessary throughout the process to clarify their position. I confirm, in this context, our intention to attend the Preliminary Meeting to advise further as to programme and in clarification of the foreseeable prospects of cumulative assessment.

Fuller and more detailed comments as are relevant, including our detailed comments on Relevant Representations, will be provided following the Preliminary Meeting and in line with the Deadline One timescales for the Project.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries or if NGVLL can be of any further assistance at this stage.

Yours sincerely,



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