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Dear Sirs,

North Shropshire Electricity Reinforcement DCO - Written Representation Deadline No 4

Further to our Deadline No 3 submission we have engaged in further dialogue with the applicant to seek closure on the outstanding issues.

A5 trunk road access

As we previously noted the use of the proposed temporary A5 trunk road access has been agreed in principle. We have agreed with the applicant that the lack of physical works on the A5 trunk road allows us to conclude that the access can be used for the Order purposes only without adverse effect on the trunk road. This position is predicated on the provision of an agreed set of temporary signage and the system of traffic management for the A5 access and associated works compound being detailed in the final Construction Environmental Management Plan.

Cable Crossing of the A5

We recorded at Deadline No 3 the intention of the applicant to use the Order "Requirements" to ensure that the Cable Crossing is designed and implemented to our requirements. Following further discussion with the applicant and consideration of their proposed wording for the additional "Requirement" we are content that our interests are satisfactorily protected subject to final agreement of the protective provisions relating to ourselves.

We are continuing to engage with the applicant to finalize the wording of the relevant protective provisions.



Deemed Consent

Notwithstanding the above commentary that the principle of using "Requirements" is an appropriate approach to ensuring that the Cable Crossing is designed and installed to our satisfaction, we remain fundamentally opposed to the concept of deemed consent within the DCO for the trunk road works as previously indicated. We understand from the applicant that the agreed revised wording, including the removal of deemed consent from a number of the Articles affecting us, which overcomes this issue will be included in the further draft DCO to be submitted at Deadline No 4.

Statement of Common Ground

We have entered into a Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) between us and the applicant. The applicant has supplied this to PINS.

Next steps

We are seeking to finalize the temporary signage strategy with the applicant at this time; the applicant's technical advisor has been requested to supply additional information to aid this work.

We will review the further draft DCO that is anticipated and engage with the applicant to seek a final agreed position on the wording of the Order, including the protective provisions, in a timely manner.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any more information or clarification.

Yours sincerely,



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