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Dear Madam

## Reinforcement to the North Shropshire Electricity Distribution Network -EN020021 Planning Act 2008 SP Manweb Plc

In response to the Deadline 6 requirements as set out in the Examining Authority's Rule 8 letter dated 27<sup>th</sup> March, the ISH on the dDCO, and the Compulsory Acquisition Hearing (both held on the 11<sup>th</sup> July), I enclose the following documents:

- SP Manweb's Oral Submissions at the ISH on the draft DCO and the Compulsory Acquisition Hearing;
- SP Manweb's Note on Statutory Undertakers, as requested by the ExA at the ISH on the 11<sup>th</sup> July
- The draft Development Consent Order Version 5;
- The Explanatory Memorandum Version 2;

The draft Development Consent Order (Version 5) includes, in Schedule 6, the latest version of the proposed Protective Provisions. These reflect discussions between SP Manweb and the relevant undertakers. In summary, the position is as follows:

 Canal & River Trust - the Protective Provisions are agreed, apart from in relation to the wording of two parts. SP Manweb does not agree to the removal of the deemed consent provision in Article 37, and secondly, SP Manweb does not agree to caveats being placed on its ability to use compulsory purchase powers given to it by the DCO.

- National Grid SP Manweb has accepted some, but not all, of the changes proposed by National Grid and has explained to National Grid why not all of the changes proposed have been accepted.
- Network Rail SP Manweb has accepted some, but not all, of the changes proposed by Network Rail and has explained to Network Rail why not all of the changes proposed have been accepted.
- Severn Trent Water Severn Trent Water have not proposed any changes to the Protective Provisions.
- Highways England the draft DCO has been updated to include the Protective Provisions as agreed with Highways England.

At Deadline 7 (31st July) SP Manweb is intending to submit the following documents:

- Schedule of Changes to Book of Reference (V3);
- Book of Reference (V2);
- Funding Statement (V2);
- Statement of Reasons (V2);
- Glossary (V2);
- Draft Construction Environmental Management Plan (final version of the draft CEMP incorporating all the changes up to and including version 4a);
- Diagram 3.2 (v2) Illustration of Pole Types (previously included within REP2-007);
- An update to Annex B of REP2-007: Schedule of Construction Accesses / Temporary Laydown Areas with Consent;
- SP Manweb's Response to Submissions made at Deadline 6

SP Manweb had indicated at the ISH on the 11<sup>th</sup> July that SoCGs with the remaining parties, or a Position Statement, would be provided at Deadline 6. Since the ISH, SP Manweb has progressed the SoCG with Severn Trent Water and is awaiting a signed SoCG from them which will be submitted as soon as possible. SP Manweb is continuing efforts to contact Natural England with several emails and telephone calls. To allow additional time to try and reach agreement, SP Manweb will provide at Deadline 7 either a signed SoCG or a Final Position Statement on its efforts to agree an SoCG with Natural England.

As agreed at the hearing last week, SP Manweb will submit a final version of the draft DCO, as soon as it is in position to do so after Deadline 7. This will enable the Examining Authority to decide when to close the Examination.

Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me. I would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of these documents.

Yours faithfully

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