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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 8 requirements as set out in the Examining Authority's Rule 8 and Rule 17 letter dated 6th August, I enclose the following documents:

- A final Construction and Environmental Management Plan
- Final version of the draft DCO
- SP Manweb's Final Position on Protective Provisions
- Final Agreed SoCG with Natural England
- Final Agreed SoCG with Severn Trent Water

As the Final Position on Protective Provisions note refers, following the latest hearings in July, SP Manweb has continued to engage with relevant Interested Parties and agreed a number of matters with them. SP Manweb now considers these matters are as much agreed as possible in the context of the draft DCO and PPs. There remain just a couple of points on which the ExA will have to take a view on although SP Manweb sees these differences as being straightforward and relating to the use of CA powers, which SP Manweb will continue to negotiate with the parties in the context of land agreements, including any side agreements.

SP Manweb also considers that it has taken matters as far as possible regarding the Statement of Common Ground with Natural England. SP Manweb has already drawn the ExAs attention to its initial engagement with Natural England, wherein they responded with no objections, and its repeated attempts

to engage with NE since regarding the SoCG. More recently, SP Manweb has contacted NE to advise that unless NE respond to SP Manweb by 21st August, then SP Manweb considers the latest version signed by SP Manweb and sent to NE to be an agreed version. SP Manweb has received no response to the contrary and as such, SP Manweb asks the ExA to consider the latest version submitted with this letter as agreed.

The current position on the Examination is therefore one which SP Manweb sees as not changing further following recent extended negotiations. With the information that the ExA has requested from the interested parties in their letter of 6th August 2019, SP Manweb considers that the ExA will have all the necessary information to close the Examination shortly after receiving the information at Deadline 8.

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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