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Our ref: **Notification of Request for Proposed Changes**  
Your ref: **EN020024**

Dear Sian Evans,

**National Grid Electricity Transmission plc (National Grid) – The National Grid Yorkshire Green Energy Enablement (GREEN) Project – EN020024**

**Applicant's Intention to Submit a Request for Proposed Changes to the DCO Application – Proposed Approach**

I am writing to further set out the proposed approach of National Grid Electricity Transmission PLC (**National Grid**), the Applicant, in relation to its intention to submit a written request to the Examining Authority (**ExA**) seeking changes to the Project (the **Proposed Changes**). National Grid submitted a Notification of Request for Proposed Changes (the **Notification**) on 19 June 2023, to which the ExA responded (the **Procedural Decision**) on 22 June 2023.

National Grid notes from the Procedural Decision advice about the procedural implications of the Proposed Changes. National Grid wishes to clarify its proposed approach of how it intends to satisfy the points raised by the ExA in the Procedural Decision.

National Grid is seeking to provide all of the necessary supporting information required to allow for a thorough, fair and reasonable examination of the proposed changes. However, owing to the consequential amendments required to a number of Application Documents resulting from the proposed changes, National Grid does not intend to submit revised shadow versions of all documents required alongside the Change Application at Deadline 5. Instead, it is proposed to submit the necessary information considered to be required at this stage to examine the proposed changes, and will follow up with revised versions of all Application Documents should the proposed changes be accepted by the ExA.

A further breakdown of all of the supporting information National Grid intends to submit as part of or alongside the Change Application at Deadline 5 is provided in **Appendix A** to this letter.

I would be grateful if you could please acknowledge safe receipt of this letter and arrange for a copy of it and its enclosures to be placed before the ExA.

Yours sincerely,

Emer McDonnell

Senior Project Manager – Yorkshire GREEN

## Appendix A: Summary of Proposed Approach

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1	Updated environmental information to include full consideration of any hydrological (including Water Framework Directive) implications relating to the crossing of Hurns Gutter.	National Grid will include the relevant updated environmental information within the Change Application, to cover hydrological implications related to the crossing of Hurns Gutter. An updated (shadow) <b>Flood Risk Assessment (Document 5.3.9D)</b> will be submitted to demonstrate that there will be no change to the flood risk effects, as has been agreed with the Environment Agency.
2	Updated environmental information to include full consideration of effects on trees, hedgerows and protected species in all locations	National Grid will include the relevant updated environmental information within the Change Application, to include full consideration of effects on trees, hedgerows and protected species in all locations. National Grid proposes to provide this information within the Report on Proposed Changes, which will set out the effects alongside a schedule of changes required to any application documents. Should the Change Application be accepted by the ExA, these documents will then be updated for the subsequent deadline.
3	Engage in dialogue with any other relevant Interested Parties in order that they are prepared for the submission of the Change Application and ready to respond as appropriate. To include local authorities, specific statutory parties (including the Kyle and Upper Ouse Internal Drainage Board in respect of Hurns Gutter), and all persons with an interest in the affected land.	National Grid will engage in dialogue with any other relevant Interested Parties in order that they are prepared for the submission of the Change Application and ready to respond as appropriate. National Grid will set out within the Change Application the engagement that has been undertaken.
4	Prepare a list of all plots that would be affected by the proposed changes as part of the formal Change Application.	National Grid intends to provide a list of all plots that would be affected by the proposed changes as part of the formal Change

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	Where plots are proposed to be changed in the updated Land Plan and Book of Reference, new and unique plot numbers should be used, rather than reusing existing plot numbers as can be seen in the indicative plan provided at Appendix B to the notification letter.	<p>Application, and will take on board the comments provided in relation to new and unique plot numbers.</p> <p>National Grid will provide this list as an extract of the Book of Reference, rather than submitting the entire document in a shadow version, but will ensure all plots, landowners and classes are included to ensure all relevant information is provided. Should the proposed changes be accepted by the ExA, an updated Book of Reference and other supporting information will be provided at the next subsequent deadline.</p>
5	All application documents updated as a result of the proposed changes to be submitted at the same time as the Change Application.	<p>National Grid intends to provide the relevant information alongside the Change Application at Deadline 5 to allow the ExA and Interested Parties to allow a thorough, fair and reasonable examination of the proposed changes.</p> <p>National Grid proposes to provide the following updated documents (or relevant sections of) as part of the Change Application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Updated <b>Lands Plan, Section B and Section D (Document 2.5.2 and to 2.5.4)</b>. Only those sheets where changes are required will be submitted, with a revised full set to follow should the proposed changes be accepted by the ExA.</li> <li>- Updated <b>Works Plan, Section B to E (Document 2.6.2 to 2.6.5)</b>. Only those sheets where changes occur will be submitted, with a revised full set to follow should the proposed changes be accepted by the ExA, to provide for consequential utility diversion renumbering.</li> <li>- Updated <b>Access Rights of Way and Public Rights of Navigation Plan, Section B (Document 2.7.2)</b>. Only those sheets where changes are required will be submitted, with a</li> </ul>

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		<p>revised full set to follow should the proposed changes be accepted by the ExA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Updated <b>Trees and Hedgerows Potentially Affected Plan, Section B (Document 2.11.2)</b>. Only those sheets where changes are required will be submitted, with a revised full set to follow should the proposed changes be accepted by the ExA.</li> <li>- Updated <b>Design Drawings (Document 2.15)</b>. Only those sheets where changes are required to reflect changes to the Limits of Deviation will be submitted, with a revised full set to follow should the proposed changes be accepted by the ExA.</li> <li>- Updated <b>Flood Risk Assessment (Document 5.3.9D)</b>, as discussed against Advice 1 above.</li> </ul> <p>National Grid proposes to provide the relevant information setting out proposed changes to the following documents within the Report on Proposed Changes, to be submitted with the Change Application, and therefore does not propose to provide full updated shadow documents at Deadline 5:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Updated <b>draft DCO (Document 3.1)</b>. A summary of proposed changes will be provided, however no amendments to any Article or Requirement are required.</li> <li>- Updated <b>Explanatory Memorandum (Document 3.2)</b>. A summary of changes required will be provided.</li> <li>- Updated <b>Statement of Reasons (Document 4.1)</b>. A summary of changes required will be provided.</li> </ul>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Updated <b>Book of Reference (Document 4.3)</b>. As set out for Advice 4 above, the required information will be submitted with the Change Application.</li> <li>- Updated <b>Construction Traffic Management Plan (Document 5.3.3F)</b>. A summary of proposed changes will be provided.</li> <li>- Updated <b>Arboricultural Impact Assessment (Document 5.3.3I)</b>. A summary of proposed changes will be provided alongside the updated <b>Trees and Hedgerows Potentially Affected Plan, Section B (Document 2.11.2)</b> as set out above.</li> <li>- Updated <b>Embedded Measures Schedule (Document 5.3.3A)</b>. A summary of proposed changes will be provided, if required.</li> <li>- Updated <b>ES Addendum (Document 5.2.22)</b>. The Report on Proposed Changes will provide the environmental information required to support the Change Application. If the proposed changes are accepted by the ExA, then this information will be presented by way of an update to the ES Addendum.</li> <li>- Updated <b>ES Errata (Document 5.2.19)</b>. The Report on Proposed Changes will provide the environmental information required to support the Change Application. If the proposed changes are accepted by the ExA, then an updated ES Errata will be prepared to present any relevant information.</li> </ul> <p>National Grid does not consider the following documents are necessary at this stage in order to allow a thorough examination of the proposed changes, as they are only required to reflect a</p>

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		<p>reduction to the Order Limits associated with Proposed Change 3, but instead notes that they will require updating should the proposed changes be accepted by the ExA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Updated <b>Master Key to Section Identification Plan (Document 2.2)</b></li> <li>- Updated <b>Land Affected Plan, Section B (Document 2.4.2)</b></li> <li>- Updated <b>Statutory or Non-Statutory Sites or Features of Nature Conservation Plan, Section B (Document 2.8.2)</b>. Consequential change due to Order Limits amendment in Section B only so not essential for examining the proposed change.</li> <li>- Updated <b>Habitats Other Diversity Features and Water Bodies Plan, Section B (Document 2.9.2)</b>. Consequential change due to Order Limits amendment in Section B only so not essential for examining the proposed change.</li> <li>- Updated <b>Statutory or Non-Statutory Sites or Features of the Historic Environment Plan, Section B (Document 2.10.2)</b>. Consequential change due to Order Limits amendment in Section B only so not essential for examining the proposed change.</li> <li>- Updated <b>Crown and Special Category Land Plan (Document 2.13)</b>. Consequential change due to Order Limits amendment in Section B only so not essential for examining the proposed change.</li> <li>- Updated <b>Extinguishment of Easements Servitudes and Other Private Rights Plan (Document 2.14)</b>. Consequential</li> </ul>

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		<p>change due to Order Limits amendment in Section B only so not essential for examining the proposed change.</p> <p>For those documents listed above as not essential for examining the proposed change or where the information will be contained within the Report on Proposed Changes, should the proposed changes be accepted by the ExA then at this point a full set of updated documents will be submitted to examination to replace the existing application documents.</p> <p>National Grid is further considering whether any updates are required to <b>Traffic Regulation Order Plan, Section B (Document 2.12.2)</b>, which is dependent on whether a TRO is required to be removed in relation to Proposed Change 3. Should updates be required, National Grid proposes to submit the relevant updated sheet from this document with the Change Application.</p> <p>National Grid has further considered whether any updates are required to the <b>Code of Construction Practice (Document 5.3.3B)</b> and has concluded that no updates are likely to be required.</p>
6	In line with Figure 2b of AN16, the Change Application should include a statement setting out the rationale and pressing need for making each change and an update on any consents or licenses that may be required.	National Grid will set out clear rationale and pressing need for making each change within the Report on Proposed Changes. National Grid will also clarify that no changes to other consents and licences are required, and therefore <b>Details of Other Consents and Licences (Document 7.3)</b> does not need updating.