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Dear Sirs

I would like to submit the following comments on behalf of Mr Watson in relation to the role of the Agricultural Liaison Officer

We are satisfied that the role specified in REP 5-017 and REP 2-023 does cover all requirements for the ALO. We would suggest that in addition to the contact details for the ALO and out of ours service it would also be helpful to have a specified secondary contact, whether an assistant ALO or the Land Officer who has some knowledge of the scheme in the event of issues arising when the ALO is unavailable e.g. holiday or illness. It is also essential that all parties are informed of any changes to the ALO contact throughout the scheme and 5 year maintenance period.

Mr Watson considers that the community liaison officer should not be or have been employed previously by National Grid. We would like them to be independent.

Mr Watson also has concerns regarding the period of time for the land to recover. "National Grid put a temporary road to the pylon in my field and removed it in 2016. Despite repeated subsoiling operations the land did not fully recover and yielded poorly in this area for 5 years afterwards. No compensation was offered by National Grid for this. The proposed works temporary compound is on a much larger area this time and will affect yields on a much larger scale." REP 2-023 1.7.70 clearly recognises this and states that it should take at least 5 years before the soil has recovered. We would therefore anticipate affected parties should be able to claim compensation for crop loss and remedial work undertaken during this period and beyond until the soil fully recovers. In reference to 1.7.72 the aftercare period is over at the discretion of the ALO. We would request that this may be referred to an independent expert in the event of a disagreement.

Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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