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Our ref: **Deadline 6 Submission**  
Your ref: **EN020024**

Dear Sian Evans,

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

Please find enclosed National Grid’s submissions in respect of Deadline 7.

Superseded Documents and Examination Submissions

In order to assist the Examining Authority (ExA) and Interested Parties in navigating the latest submissions, and to explain where application documents have either been superseded or supplemented with examination submissions (Volume 8), National Grid has updated its **Navigation Document and Application Guide (Document 1.3(I))**. Details of the documents submitted are listed below, for ease of reference including the reason for its provision.

<b>Document Reference and Title:</b>	<b>Reason:</b>
1.3(I) Navigation Document and Application Guide (Clean)	To include latest document revisions. Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
1.3(I) Navigation Document and Application Guide (Tracked)	To include latest document revisions. Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
2.1 (B) Overall Location Plan	Updated to reflect the administrative boundaries following local government reorganisation. Requested by the Examining Authority’s commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1).

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3.1(F) Draft Development Consent Order (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7. Updated following The Examining Authority's commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1).
3.1(F) Draft Development Consent Order (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7. Updated following The Examining Authority's commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1).
3.2(F) Explanatory Memorandum (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
3.2(F) Explanatory Memorandum (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
4.1(C) Statement of Reasons (Clean)	Requested by Q10.0.2 of the Examining Authority's commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1) to be updated and submitted at Deadline 7.
4.1(C) Statement of Reasons (Tracked)	Requested by Q10.0.2 of the Examining Authority's commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1) to be updated and submitted at Deadline 7.
4.2 (B) Funding Statement (Clean)	Requested by Action Point 21 of Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 1 (CAH1) [EV-007a].
4.2 (B) Funding Statement (Tracked)	Requested by Action Point 21 of Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 1 (CAH1) [EV-007a].
4.3(G) Book of Reference (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
4.3(G) Book of Reference (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
5.2.19(E) Environmental Statement Errata Document (Clean)	To note Environmental Statement (ES) errata submitted at Deadline 7.
5.2.19(E) Environmental Statement Errata Document (Tracked)	To note Environmental Statement (ES) errata submitted at Deadline 7.
5.2.22(B) Environmental Statement Addendum (Consolidated) (Clean)	To provide an update to the revised Cumulative Effects Assessment Long List (Document 5.4.18A(C)) which has been updated to check for

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	any new development that needs to be considered prior to close of the examination process.
5.2.22(B) Environmental Statement Addendum (Consolidated) (Tracked)	To provide an update to the revised Cumulative Effects Assessment Long List (Document 5.4.18A(C)) which has been updated to check for any new development that needs to be considered prior to close of the examination process.
5.3.3B(E) ES Chapter 3 Appendix 3B - Code of Construction Practice (Clean)	To provide an update in response to Q8.0.11 set out in the Examining Authority's commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1) and further minor updates as required.
5.3.3B(E) ES Chapter 3 Appendix 3B - Code of Construction Practice (Tracked)	To provide an update in response to Q8.0.11 set out in the Examining Authority's commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1) and further minor updates as required.
5.3.3F(D) ES Chapter 3 Appendix 3F - Construction Traffic Management Plan (Clean)	To provide an update in response to ISH4 Action Points 7, 8 and 9 and in response to Q8.0.2 set out in the Examining Authority's commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1).
5.3.3F(D) ES Chapter 3 Appendix 3F - Construction Traffic Management Plan (Tracked)	To provide an update in response to ISH4 Action Points 7, 8 and 9 and in response to Q8.0.2 set out in the Examining Authority's commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1).
5.3.3I (Part 1 of 3)(D) ES Chapter 3 Appendix 3I - Arboricultural Impact Assessment (Part 1 of 3) (Clean)	To provide an update to reflect a slight reduction in the area of tree cover and length of hedgerow removed or potentially affected to facilitate the Project due to the removal of third party utility diversions from Schedule 1 of the draft DCO.
5.3.3I (Part 1 of 3)(D) ES Chapter 3 Appendix 3I - Arboricultural Impact Assessment (Part 1 of 3) (Tracked)	To provide an update to reflect a slight reduction in the area of tree cover and length of hedgerow removed or potentially affected to facilitate the Project due to the removal of third-party utility diversions from Schedule 1 of the draft DCO.

Document Reference and Title:	Reason:
5.3.3I (Part 2 of 3)(D) ES Chapter 3 Appendix 3I - Arboricultural Impact Assessment (Part 2 of 3)	To provide an update to reflect a slight reduction in the area of tree cover and length of hedgerow removed or potentially affected to facilitate the Project due to the removal of third-party utility diversions from Schedule 1 of the draft DCO.
5.3.3I (Part 3 of 3)(D) ES Chapter 3 Appendix 3I - Arboricultural Impact Assessment (Part 3 of 3)	To provide an update to reflect a slight reduction in the area of tree cover and length of hedgerow removed or potentially affected to facilitate the Project due to the removal of third-party utility diversions from Schedule 1 of the draft DCO.
5.3.18A(C) ES Chapter 18 Appendix 18A - Cumulative Effects Assessment: Long List of Other Developments (Clean)	To provide an update to check for any new development that needs to be considered prior to close of the examination process.
5.3.18A(C) ES Chapter 18 Appendix 18A - Cumulative Effects Assessment: Long List of Other Developments (Tracked)	To provide an update to check for any new development that needs to be considered prior to close of the examination process.
5.4.3(E) ES Chapter 3 Description of the Project Figures	Updated to remove duplicated Figure 3.10 only.
7.3(C) Details of Other Consents and Licences (Clean)	To clarify when Flood Risk Activity Permits and Land Drainage Consents are required, as agreed with relevant stakeholders.
7.3(C) Details of Other Consents and Licences (Tracked)	To clarify when Flood Risk Activity Permits and Land Drainage Consents are required, as agreed with relevant stakeholders.
8.1(E) Schedule of Changes to the Draft Development Consent Order	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7. Updated following The Examining Authority's commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1).
8.1.1 Track Changes Comparison Between Submission Draft DCO and Final Draft DCO	Requested by Q1.0.1 of the Examining Authority's commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1) to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.1.2 Track Changes Comparison Between Submission Explanatory Memorandum and Final Explanatory Memorandum	Requested by Q1.0.1 of the Examining Authority's commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1) to be submitted at Deadline 7.

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8.2(F) Schedule of Changes to the Book of Reference (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.2(F) Schedule of Changes to the Book of Reference (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.1(D) Statement of Commonality for Statements of Common Ground (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.1(D) Statement of Commonality for Statements of Common Ground (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.2(D) Statement of Common Ground - North Yorkshire Council (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.2(D) Statement of Common Ground - North Yorkshire Council (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.4(D) Statement of Common Ground - Leeds City Council (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.4(D) Statement of Common Ground - Leeds City Council (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.7(C) Statement of Common Ground - Environment Agency (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.7(C) Statement of Common Ground - Environment Agency (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.11(D) Statement of Common Ground - Network Rail (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.11(D) Statement of Common Ground - Network Rail (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.12(C) Statement of Common Ground - Ainsty Internal Drainage Board (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.

Document Reference and Title:	Reason:
8.5.12(C) Statement of Common Ground - Ainsty Internal Drainage Board (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.13(C) Statement of Common Ground - Kyle and Upper Ouse Internal Drainage Board (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.13(C) Statement of Common Ground - Kyle and Upper Ouse Internal Drainage Board (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.14(C) Statement of Common Ground - National Highways (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.14(C) Statement of Common Ground - National Highways (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.16(C) Statement of Common Ground - Foss Internal Drainage Board (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.16(C) Statement of Common Ground - Foss Internal Drainage Board (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.19(C) Statement of Common Ground between National Grid and National Gas Transmission plc (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.19(C) Statement of Common Ground between National Grid and National Gas Transmission plc (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.20(C) Statement of Common Ground between National Grid and Northern Gas Networks Limited (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.5.20(C) Statement of Common Ground between National Grid and Northern Gas Networks Limited (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.

Document Reference and Title:	Reason:
8.8(B) Applicant's Planning obligations and commercial side agreements tracking list (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.8(B) Applicant's Planning obligations and commercial side agreements tracking list (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.12(D) Protective Provisions Progress Schedule (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7. Updated following the Examining Authority's commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1).
8.12(D) Protective Provisions Progress Schedule (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7. Updated following the Examining Authority's commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1).
8.13(E) Summary of Actions and Engagement in Relation to Traveller Community (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.13(E) Summary of Actions and Engagement in Relation to Traveller Community (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.14(D) Compulsory Acquisition and Temporary Possession Objections Schedule (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.14(D) Compulsory Acquisition and Temporary Possession Objections Schedule (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.22(B) Final Section 106 Agreement	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.26(B) CIL Compliance Statement for S106 Agreement Pursuant to Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (Clean)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.26(B) CIL Compliance Statement for S106 Agreement Pursuant to Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (Tracked)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.

Document Reference and Title:	Reason:
8.29.5 Applicant's Deadline 7 Response to CAH2 Hearing Action Points	To respond to outstanding Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 2 Action Points.
8.29.6 Applicant's Deadline 7 Response to ISH4 Hearing Action Points	To respond to outstanding Issue Specific Hearing 4 Action Points.
8.31 Applicant's Comments on Interested Parties' Deadline 6 Submissions	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7. Also provides response to late submissions [AS-024], [AS-025] and [AS-026] accepted at the discretion of the ExA.
8.32 Applicant's Comments on the Report on the Implications for European Sites (RIES)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.33 Applicant's Response to the Examining Authority's commentary and questions on the draft Development Consent Order (DC1)	Requested by Examination timetable to be submitted at Deadline 7.
8.34.1 Applicant's Position Statement with North Yorkshire Council on Working Hours	Requested by Action Point 16 of Issue Specific Hearing 4 (ISH4) [EV-009i].
8.34.2 Applicant's Position Statement with North Yorkshire Council and City of York Council on Green Belt	Requested by Action Point 17 of Issue Specific Hearing 4 (ISH4) [EV-009i].
8.34.3 Applicant's Position Statement - Protective Provisions Not Yet Agreed with Network Rail	Provided by National Grid to assist the ExA in understanding National Grid's final position in relation to matters not agreed with Network Rail in respect of the protective provisions included in the draft DCO.
8.34.4 Applicant's Position Statement - Protective Provisions Not Yet Agreed with National Gas Transmission	Provided by National Grid to assist the ExA in understanding National Grid's final position in relation to matters not agreed with National Gas Transmission in respect of the protective provisions included in the draft DCO.
8.34.5 Applicant's Position Statement - Protective Provisions Not Yet Agreed with National Highways	Provided by National Grid to assist the ExA in understanding National Grid's final position in relation to matters not agreed with National Highways



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	Highways in respect of the protective provisions included in the draft DCO.
8.34.6 Applicant’s Position Statement - Protective Provisions Not Yet Agreed with Northern Gas Networks	Provided by National Grid to assist the ExA in understanding National Grid’s final position in relation to matters not agreed with Northern Gas Networks in respect of the protective provisions included in the draft DCO.
8.35 Applicant’s Closing Statement	Provided to set out all matters explored during the Examination and summarise any outstanding points of dispute with Interested Parties.

### Points to Note

The following section of this cover letter confirms National Grid’s position in respect of items that the ExA requested to be submitted at Deadline 7 as per the Examination Timetable in the Rule 8 letter (dated 29 March 2023) and any other points to note in respect of this Deadline.

### Applicant’s updated National Policy Statement schedules of compliance (if required)

National Grid notes the ExA’s request, as set out in Annex F, Part 8 of the **Rule 6 letter [PD-005]** for updated **Tables A.1 and B.1 (Appendices A and B)** of the submitted Planning Statement **[APP-202]** which signpost compliance with National Policy Statements (NPS) EN-1 and EN-5. The Examination timetable within the **Rule 8 letter [PD-008]** further sets out that the “Applicant’s updated National Policy Statement schedules of compliance (if required)” should be submitted at Deadline 7.

National Grid has reviewed the compliance tables in Appendix A and B of the Planning Statement to check if they require any further updates following submission of the DCO earlier this year. In particular it has considered the changes set out in the **Change Application: Report on Proposed Changes (Document 9.1) [REP5-091]** against the compliance tables. **Document 9.1** confirms that the changes do not alter “the conclusions in the ES regarding significance of effects” and are considered “minor and non-material”. As a result of this, and having undertaken a full review of the entire compliance tables, it is National Grid’s view that the contents of the compliance tables remain correct and robust and do not need to be updated.

### Book of Reference

National Grid has submitted at Deadline 7 an updated and final **Book of Reference (Document 4.3(G))** and **Schedule of Changes to the Book of Reference (Document 8.2(F))** as requested by the Examination timetable. This reflects a further review of the Book

of Reference, land registry refresh and information obtained through on-going liaison with affected parties. Updates have been made to the Book of Reference accordingly with an explanation provided for each change in the Schedule of Changes to the Book of Reference.

## Pelagic Energy

In CAH1 and as detailed in the **Written Summary of Oral Representations made at Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 1 (Document 8.23.2) [REP4-024]** National Grid confirmed that agreement had been reached on 25 May 2023 with Pelagic Energy who are developing a battery storage site at the Monk Fryston substation. The basis of that agreement included provisions that if Yorkshire Water undertake some water pipeline diversion works prior to the close of the examination then an update would be made to amend the **Land Plan Section F (Document 2.5.6(B)) [AS-010]** and **Book of Reference (BoR) (Document 4.3(G))** to remove the area over which Pelagic holds an option from the land plan and BoR (forming part of Plot F-107 on the land plan). Those water pipeline diversion works have not yet been undertaken and so National Grid is not seeking to amend those documents. It is necessary to retain the rights in the dDCO should National Grid need to undertake those works if not first undertaken by Yorkshire Water.

## Woodstock Lodge

As detailed in response to ExQ1 Q11.3.1(a) in the **Applicant's Response to Examining Authority's First Written Questions (ExQ1) (Document 8.9.1) [REP2-038]**, National Grid has been engaging with the owners (who are also the operators) of the Woodstock Lodge wedding venue prior to, and throughout the examination process, to reach an agreement to secure funding for the delivery and maintenance of an offsite planting strategy at the wedding venue. The planting strategy has been designed in close consultation with the owners of the wedding venue, and a strategy that meets their requirements has been agreed. National Grid can confirm that a letter of mutual undertaking relating to this planting stagey has been completed by both National Grid and the two owners of the wedding venue.

## Protective Provisions and approach to draft DCO

Negotiations regarding protective provisions have continued and for those parties that National Grid has not yet been able to reach agreement, Position Statements on Protective Provisions Not Yet Agreed have been submitted at Deadline 7 (**Documents 8.34.3 to 8.34.6**). Accordingly, draft Statements of Common Ground have been submitted at Deadline 7 with two of these respective parties. Should progress be made and agreement reached with either or both of these statutory undertakers, National Grid will submit final Statements of Common Ground, an updated Statement of Commonality and updated draft DCO at Deadline 8.

Examination timetable: List of matters not agreed where any Statement of Common Ground could not be finalised

The Examination timetable requests at Deadline 7 a list of matters not agreed where any Statement of Common Ground could not be finalised. As detailed in the **Statement of Commonality for Statements of Common Ground (Document 8.5.1(D))**, final versions of Statements of Common Ground have been submitted at Deadline 7. As detailed in the point of note above, only two Statement of Common Ground with statutory undertakers have been submitted in draft form. Table 4.1 of the Statement of Commonality presents in summary form the topics which are matters ‘agreed’, matters ‘outstanding’ and matters ‘not agreed’ across all Statements of Common Ground. Further to this, Section 4.2 of the Statement of Commonality presents further explanation on matters that are ‘outstanding’ or ‘not agreed’. On the basis this information is presented in the Statement of Commonality, no further list is provided in respect of this item on the examination timetable.

Revised National Planning Policy Framework

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was updated on 5 September 2023 and replaces the previous version of the NPPF (July 2021) considered in the Yorkshire GREEN Environmental Statement and Planning Statement. Paragraphs 155 and 158, and Annex 1 (paragraphs 221 to 223) of the NPPF have been revised. National Grid has reviewed the NPPF revisions against the Environmental Statement and Planning Statement and can confirm that the NPPF revisions do not alter the conclusions of either document. The NPPF paragraphs relating to Green Belt (paragraphs 137 to 151) are unchanged and therefore, with regard to Green Belt matters, the Project continues to accord with the most recent version of the NPPF issued in September 2023.

Should you require any hard copies of the documents identified above please let us know.

Yours faithfully,

Emer McDonnell

Senior Project Manager – Yorkshire GREEN