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To interested parties

Your Ref:

Our Ref: EN030002

Date: 20 April 2016

Dear Sir/Madam

**Planning Act 2008 (as amended) and The Infrastructure Planning
(Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended) – Rule 13 and 16**

**Application by Keuper Gas Storage Limited for an Order Granting
Development Consent for the Keuper Gas Storage Project**

**Notification of Compulsory Acquisition, Issue Specific Hearings and
Accompanied Site Visit**

As indicated in my letter of 23 March 2016, I write to notify you of the following hearings to be held in May 2016.

The hearings will be held at: **The Best Western Crewe Arms Hotel, Nantwich Road, Crewe, Cheshire, CW2 6DN**

Access and parking: Crewe Railway Station is approximately 5 minutes away on foot. The hotel has a free car park for those attending the event. You will need to give your vehicle registration to the hotel reception on arrival.

Date and time	Hearing details
Monday 23 May 2016 1:30 pm arrival 2.00 pm start	Compulsory Acquisition Hearing
Wednesday 25 May 2106 9:30 am arrival 10:00 am start	Issue Specific Hearing on the local environmental impacts and the draft DCO
Thursday 26 May 2016 9:30 am arrival 10:00 am start	Continuation of Issue Specific Hearing on the local environmental impacts and the draft DCO

Please note that as we have not received any formal request to hold an Open Floor Hearing this will no longer go ahead on the date we had provisionally reserved for it, on the evening of Tuesday 24 May 2016.

In accordance with Rule 14(3) of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended), any oral representations made at hearings should be based on representations previously made in writing by the particular participant.

Please note that an agenda for each hearing will be published on the Planning Inspectorate's website as soon as is practicable before the commencement of the hearing.

It would help with the management of the hearings if you can let the Case Team know by **Wednesday 4 May 2016**, in writing or by email via the contact details at the top of this letter if:

- You will be attending either or both of the hearings
- You wish to speak at either or both of the hearings
- You have any special needs (e.g. disabled access, hearing loop)

Accompanied site visit (ASV)

In addition to the hearings above, an ASV is scheduled to take place on **Tuesday 24 May 2016**.

The site visit will begin at the **Best Western Crewe Arms Hotel, Nantwich Road, Crewe, Cheshire, CW2 6DN at 10:00 am**. Transport will be provided to take attendees for a tour of the application site and will then visit a number of locations in the vicinity.

Attendees are reminded that the purpose of the site visit is to view the site and surroundings in the context of the written material. No representations should be made or discussions on points of merit conducted at this visit.

Because of uneven terrain please can you ensure that you wear appropriate footwear (walking boots). Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), for whilst you are on the application site will be provided by the applicant.

Due to this requirement to wear PPE whilst on the application site and the security requirements of some of the sites that the ASV is visiting whereby only persons whose names have been provided in advance will be admitted, I would be grateful if parties wishing to attend could advise the case team in writing (email or post) by **Wednesday 4 May 2016** indicating:

- If you wish to attend the accompanied site visit
- Your boot size and jacket size for the PPE
- If you have restricted mobility and require a vehicle with wheelchair access. (Please note that all the proposed site areas for walking around during the site visit are **not** suitable for wheel chair access, due to rough terrain. Therefore, disabled access will be very limited. However, if you do have limited mobility you are welcome to view the ASV from the minibus).

Please provide your interested party reference number in any communication and mark it for the attention of the Keuper Gas Storage Case Team.

Confirmation, further details of the arrangements for the site visit and an itinerary will be sent to registered attendees approximately a week before the site visit takes place. The ASV itinerary will also be published on the Keuper Gas Storage project page of the National Infrastructure Planning Website.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact the case team at the address at the top of this letter.

Yours faithfully

Jonathan Green

Jonathan Green
Examining Inspector

Advice may be given about applying for an order granting development consent or making representations about an application (or a proposed application). This communication does not however constitute legal advice upon which you can rely and you should obtain your own legal advice and professional advice as required.

A record of the advice which is provided will be recorded on the National Infrastructure Planning website together with the name of the person or organisation who asked for the advice. The privacy of any other personal information will be protected in accordance with our Information Charter which you should view before sending information to the Planning Inspectorate.