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Dear Sirs

**EN060004: River Humber Gas Pipeline Replacement Project
Response to Secretary of State's Request for Comments**

We write on behalf of National Grid Gas Plc (NGG) in response to the request for comments from the Applicant and Northern Gas Networks dated 13 July 2016. Please see the below responses in relation to each statutory undertaker.

1. Northern Gas Networks Limited (NGN)

A confidential agreement for the protection of NGN's assets and interests was completed on 18 April 2016. NGN did not submit an objection to the application and all concerns were addressed in the agreement between the parties.

2. KCOM Group Plc

KCOM Group Plc confirmed that the provisions for the protection of operators of electronic communications code networks (Part 2 of Schedule 10 to the draft Development Consent Order) provide satisfactory protection for its interests and assets. It confirmed that no further provisions or agreements would be required. This is shown in the Statement of Common Ground Schedule (document 7.9E).

3. Network Rail

A Basic Asset Protection Agreement has been entered into between the parties for the protection of Network Rail's interests and apparatus.

NGG can confirm that all outstanding agreements relating to the protection of statutory undertakers have now been completed.

We hope that this assists. If you have any further queries or require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully,



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