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**Simon Raywood**

Case Manager – The Planning Inspectorate

**Subject: HyNet North West Hydrogen Pipeline – Early Adopters Programme update**

Dear Simon,

We are writing to you regarding the HyNet North West Hydrogen Pipeline (the Project) and its part in the Planning Inspectorate's Early Adopters Programme and trial.

Cadent responded to the Planning Inspectorate's request for expression of interest in participating in the programme in May 2023. Following this the Project team supported the trial and progressed in line with the agreed components.

On the 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023 Government made a series of announcements and updates regarding hydrogen policy. These updates were reviewed by the Project team and subsequently Cadent has made the decision to re-schedule the DCO submission so that it remains aligned with Government ambitions and Hydrogen Transport Business Model (HTBM). Further detail regarding the programme can be found on the Project website at [Update – 23 February 2024 - HyNet North West Hydrogen Pipeline \(hynethydrogenpipeline.co.uk\)](https://hynethydrogenpipeline.co.uk)

Cadent discussed the programme changes with the Planning Inspectorate and representatives from the Early Adopters Programme team and concluded that the Project timings no longer align with the trial. Therefore this letter is to confirm that Cadent intend on withdrawing the Project from the trial.

Cadent will continue to utilise the components of the programme, where appropriate and subject to further discussions with statutory consultees.

Kind regards,

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