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Dear Sirs

Please find attached letter in connection with the above matter. A hard copy be sent out in this evening's post.

Yours faithfully

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Dear Sir

PLANNING ACT 2008 (AS AMENDED) AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING
(EXAMINATION PROCEDURE) RULES 2010 (AS AMENDED)
APPLICATION BY NATIONAL GRID CARBON ("THE APPLICANT") FOR AN ORDER GRANTING
DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR THE YORKSHIRE AND HUMBER CARBON CAPTURE AND
STORAGE ("CCS") CROSS COUNTRY PIPELINE
REQUEST FOR COMMENTS FROM THE APPLICANT W CLIFFORD WATTS LIMITED, EAST
RIDING OF YORKSHIRE COUNCIL, NETWORK RAIL, THE CANAL AND RIVER TRUST AND
DRIFFIELD NAVIGATION TRUST

REFERENCE 10029854

We refer to your letter of 11 September 2015.

On behalf of W Clifford Watts ("the Company"), we would comment on paragraph one of your letter as follows:

1. A meeting took place between the Company and the Applicant on Monday 21 September 2015 to discuss how both mineral working and the proposed CCS pipeline could be accommodated. Present at the meeting were representatives of the Burton Agnes Estate and Susan Cunliffe-Lister who are freehold owners of the land affected by the pipeline.
2. The meeting was constructive and explored the possibility of working the minerals to an agreed depth and/or working the minerals to a depth which would ordinarily be economically viable and potentially reducing the impact of the pipeline on that mineral working.

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3. The geological sequence of minerals in the affected area is an area of gravel overlain by a sand strata. The most valuable mineral is the gravel strata which in scarce supply in the East Yorkshire North of the Humber and attracts a premium price. Any sterilisation of gravel would have an impact on its availability in the local market place and this would particularly affect on the Company in that it would restrict the amount of material available for the Company to produce concrete and other added value products. As there is a shortage of concrete quality gravels in East Yorkshire North of the Humber with alternative supplies having to be brought in from Wykeham Quarry in North Yorkshire or from the railhead at Dairycoates, the Company would advocate that pre extraction to protect this scarce valuable mineral resource. Sourcing that material from these alternative supplies would attract a premium price.
4. In order to mitigate the potential effects of the pipeline it was discussed at the meeting whether an AOD depth of working could be permitted sterilising the lower levels of minerals. However, this is likely to be unsatisfactory to the Company as it would only produce sand and the scarce and most valuable mineral (the gravel) would lie at the base at the deposit under the depth to be worked. The Applicants are to provide information and their proposals for the AOD depth of working.
5. At the meeting the Company reiterated its offer to work the mineral to its economic depth and then backfill providing an embankment at the Applicant's cost and to the Applicant's specification which would provide an adequate support for the proposed pipeline. It is understood this solution has been accepted elsewhere by the Applicant on other land which has been previously worked for minerals. This point has been left with the Applicant to consider.
6. At the meeting the Company revisited a proposal previously made by it, to relocate the pipeline within the land near to and broadly parallel to an access road to minimise the minerals sterilised by the pipeline. This was discussed with the Applicant's representatives at an early stage of the project and the Company believed had been agreed to and accepted by the Applicants. The Company was surprised when the proposed scheme showed the pipeline in its present position and understands the legal advice given to the Applicant is that the pipeline cannot be relocated outside of the limits of deviation for the pipeline corridor shown for the proposed scheme despite the alternative route being within the planning boundary for the proposed scheme. It is the Company's view (and the Company understands this view had been previously accepted by the Applicants) that if the pipeline was relocated parallel to the access road there would be a significant reduction in the volume of mineral sterilised by the pipeline.
7. Ongoing actions are that National Grid are to provide the Company with an AOD depth of working, this information will enable the Company to evaluate the volumes and types of minerals which would be worked to provide a more accurate estimate of the quantity and value of mineral (particularly the gravel deposits) which may be worked and alternatively would be sterilised by the pipeline.

The meeting did not reach any concluded decisions, merely that further work is required, and National Grid is required to provide the first item of information to enable ongoing discussions to continue.

We trust this answers your query, but please let us know if any further information is required.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Freeths LLP".

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