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Your Ref EN070001

Dear Andrew Mead

Application by National Grid Carbon Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Yorkshire and Humber Carbon Capture Transportation and Storage (CCS) Cross Country Pipeline

Written Representation of the Canal & River Trust

The Canal & River Trust responded on 12th September 2014 to register and comment as an interested party for the Examination relating to the Yorkshire & Humber Carbon Capture and Storage Pipeline project.

In our response, we noted that the route of the proposed pipeline will cross under the River Ouse to the north-east of Drax power station and that the Trust as the Navigation Authority for the River Ouse is responsible for ensuring the safe and continuous navigation of river craft on this section of the river.

We also highlighted that although the Promoter's Ground Investigation Report appeared to be satisfactory for the pipeline to be designed and constructed under the river, 'Appendix 6.3.2 – crossing methods' of the Promoter's Environmental Statement (ES) (Vol.6) referred to a 2 metre depth for the pipeline river crossing.

In light of this, we advised that the pipeline should to have a minimum depth of 3.5 metres below the hard bed level of the river in order to ensure that the integrity of the River bed is not compromised and navigation is not adversely affected.

As a result of our comments, we have been contacted by the Promoter and informed that the pipeline will cross between 20 and 25 metres below the river bed and that the exact depth of the pipeline crossing will be confirmed.

In light of the further information from the Promoter relating to the proposed depth of the pipeline crossing the River Ouse, we recommend that should the Development Consent Order be granted, the decision is subject to a 'Requirement' to specify that full details of pipeline crossing under the River Ouse are submitted for approval to the Examining Authority to ensure that the integrity of the River bed is not compromised and as a result the navigation is not adversely affected.

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Furthermore, once the details of the pipeline crossing the river have been clarified, we advise the Promoter to contact Alan Daines in order that the proposed works meet the requirements of the Trust's "Code of Practice for Works affecting the Canal & River Trust".

Yours sincerely

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