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Date: 17<sup>th</sup> December 2014

Dear Sirs

**PLANNING ACT 2008 (AS AMENDED) – SECTION 89 AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING  
(EXAMINATION PROCEDURE) RULES 2010 – RULE 8**

**EXAMINATION TIMETABLE AND PROCEDURE**

**WRITTEN REPRESENTATIONS TO THE EXAMINING AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF MR & MRS RICHARD  
ATKINSON**

Further to receipt of the examination timetable and procedure dated 25<sup>th</sup> November 2014 we wish to make the following representations and object to the application on behalf of our clients Mr and Mrs Richard Atkinson who own and occupy Village Farm, Brind and are therefore landowners and interested parties affected by the scheme.

We wish to make the following representations:

1. The proposed scheme dissects our Clients farm and will therefore have a detrimental impact on their farming business and future development plans. Despite requests to re-route the pipeline so it is more akin with the boundaries, no changes have been proposed.
2. Drainage is crucial in this low lying area; we have considerable concerns over the long term effect that the scheme will have on our clients land. To date no detailed drainage surveys have been undertaken on our clients land. Drainage in this area is such a vital part of the process and should be taken into account when finalising the route.
3. Detailed proposals on how the soil will be stripped, stored, managed, replaced and restored have not been provided to date. The process should identify a very detailed working method statement and policy for exactly how the soil will be stripped, stored, managed and restored.
4. We consider that acquiring the freehold title to the land in question by compulsion is unduly onerous; acquiring the legal rights to install, inspect, maintain and repair the apparatus would be sufficient. There are other examples in the area whereby compulsory powers have not been used and agreements have been made with the landowners, and hence we feel this is unnecessary.

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5. We do not believe that at the present time all reasonable alternatives to compulsory acquisition have been explored.
6. The Applicant is proposing that either side of the proposed pipeline route there is an additional 50m limit of lateral deviation, which will allow the pipeline to be routed anywhere within a c.100m wide corridor; this is unduly onerous.
7. The proposed easement width is 24.4 metres; we consider this excessive for a 24" diameter pipeline.
8. The Applicant is proposing that their compulsory rights are exercisable for 8 years from award of the DCO; this is an excessive length of time to blight a large area of our Clients land and restrict potential development.
9. The Applicant has included a substantial area of our Client's land within the "Temporary Working Area"; we consider this unnecessary.
10. No detailed ecological surveys have been carried out on our Client's land. The proposed route will destroy a substantial amount of "Important" ancient hedgerows; we have not been provided with any mitigation proposals.
11. No bio-security measures have been proposed which is essential on this stock farm.
12. We have not been provided with sufficient detail with regards to restrictions on development on our Clients land and the effect on future developments.
13. The Applicant states that the White Rose CCS Project will make its Final Investment Decisions in the middle of 2016 following confirmation from the UK Government that the necessary funding is to come from the UK CCS Commercialisation Programme. We believe the DCO should not be granted until funding for the White Rose CCS Project is confirmed as the projects are interlinked.
14. NG are undertaking a FEED study to ascertain the costs associated with the proposed Onshore Scheme, and state that following a positive investment decision by the board of NG plc, funding would be made available through capital raised by NG plc to construct the Onshore Scheme; we do not believe that sufficient evidence has been provided to ascertain that there is a reasonable prospect of the requisite funds becoming available.

Yours faithfully



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**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**

**EXAMINATION TIMETABLE AND PROCEDURE**

**WISH TO ATTEND A HEARING OR SITE VISIT ON BEHALF OF MR & MRS RICHARD ATKINSON**

Further to receipt of the examination timetable and procedure dated 25<sup>th</sup> November 2014 we write on behalf of our clients Mr and Mrs Richard Atkinson who own and occupy Village Farm, Brind and are therefore landowners and interested parties affected by the scheme.

1. Our clients or their representatives wish to reserve the right to be heard at an open floor hearing to address the issues raised in the representations submitted on their behalf dated 17<sup>th</sup> December 2014.
2. Our clients or their representatives wish to reserve the right to make oral representations at the issue-specific hearing on the DCO to address issues raised in the representations submitted on their behalf dated 17<sup>th</sup> December 2014.
3. Our clients or their representatives wish to reserve the right to make oral representations at a compulsory acquisition hearing to speak about the land at Village Farm, Brind.

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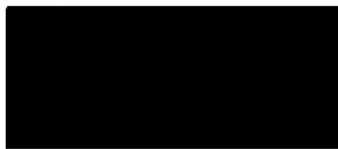
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4. Our clients or their representatives wish to attend the ExA's inspection of the land at Village Farm, Brind.

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