

Meeting Note

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Meeting with	National Grid Carbon Limited
Meeting date	31 May 2011
Attendees	Susannah Guest (Case Leader)
(IPC)	Lynne Franklin (Lawyer)
	David Price (Land Rights and EIA Adviser)
	Nik Perepelov (Assistant Case Officer)
Attendees	Richard Gwilliam
(non IPC)	Mike Jordin
	Russell Cooper
	Steve Knight-Gregson
	Simon Best
Location	IPC offices, Bristol

Meeting	To discuss the proposed Humber Carbon Capture,
purpose	Transport and Storage project

Summary of
key points
discussed
and advice
given

National Grid Carbon Limited (NGCL) began by giving a presentation on the project (please see the attached file).

The IPC explained that they were not involved in the formulation of policy. Comments made during consultation on the national policy statements (NPS) related to the NPS's 'fitness for purpose' and not the merits of any policy proposals.

The IPC has the power to consider applications for those types of projects listed in s.14 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008), meeting the thresholds set out in s.15-30. This includes cross-country pipelines operated by someone other than a gas transporter under s.21. An application made under PA 2008 can seek consent for 'associated development' under s.115 and can seek to remove the requirement to obtain certain prescribed consents and licences (with the permission of the normal consenting or licensing authority) under s.150. It is for developers to determine which consents they wish to include in their development consent order (DCO), and draft the DCO accordingly in consultation with the relevant bodies.

NGCL agreed to provide, for the IPC's information, a list of consents they will need to obtain together with an indicative consenting strategy.

The IPC advised that cumulative impacts should be fully considered as part of an environmental impact assessment. The IPC advised NGCL to review issued IPC scoping opinions to fully understand expectations relating to cumulative impact assessment.

The IPC raised the issue of flexibility particularly in relation to limits of deviation for pipeline projects. The IPC briefly discussed the use of Rochdale Envelope confirming that an advice note on the Rochdale Envelope is available on the IPC's website.

The IPC confirmed that as the application is likely to be made following the abolition of the IPC but with the retention of decision-making powers by the Secretary of State, the IPC's successor organisation will not be the competent authority for the purposes of The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010. An advice note on Appropriate Assessment is available on the IPC's website.

The IPC briefly discussed the requirements around submitting a request for a scoping opinion. The IPC stated that they use an in house GIS system for support in handling requests for scoping opinions. The IPC confirmed that it would be helpful if NGCL could send a GIS shapefile for the red-line boundary to the IPC about two weeks before sending a scoping request. IPC agreed to send more detailed information on the requirements for shapefiles via e-mail.

East Riding of Yorkshire Council (ERYC) have already proposed entering into a Planning Performance Agreement with NGCL. ERYC would be co-ordinating the joint working on the part of the cluster of local authorities likely to be affected by the proposal.

NGCL outlined an indicative timescale for this project:

- Summer 2011 non-statutory consultation
- Q1 2012 EIA scoping
- Q3 2012 possible outreach events
- Q4 2012 statutory consultation
- Spring 2013 likely submission

Specific decisions/ follow up required?

NGCL to send presentation given to meeting NGCL to send link to Consultation Document concerned with third party access arrangements

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