

**THE HYNET CARBON DIOXIDE PIPELINE DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER**  
**Planning Inspectorate Reference Number: EN070007**

**NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF AN APPLICATION**  
**FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER BY THE PLANNING INSPECTORATE (ON**  
**BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR BUSINESS ENERGY AND**  
**INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY)**

**Under Section 56 of the Planning Act 2008, Regulation 9 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 and Regulation 16 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017**

Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (the 'Secretary of State') has accepted an application by Liverpool Bay CCS Limited (company number 13194018) whose registered office is at Eni House, 10 Ebury Bridge Road, London, England, SW1W 8PZ (the 'Applicant') for a Development Consent Order under the Planning Act 2008 (the 'Application'). The Application was submitted by the Applicant to the Secretary of State c/o the Planning Inspectorate on 03 October 2022 and was accepted on 31 October 2022. The reference number applied to the Application by the Planning Inspectorate is EN070007.

**Summary of the Project**

The Application relates to the proposed construction and operation of a new carbon dioxide ('CO<sub>2</sub>') pipeline between Ince, near Stanlow, and Flint, and the repurposing and operation of an existing natural gas pipeline between Connah's Quay and Point of Ayr Terminal for the transportation of CO<sub>2</sub>.

A map showing the location of the Proposed Development (as defined below) can be viewed on the National Infrastructure Planning website at the following address:  
<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/north-west/hynet-carbon-dioxide-pipeline/>.

The proposed development for which the DCO is sought is:

- a. Construction and use of a pipeline from Ince Above Ground Installation ('AGI') to Stanlow AGI pipeline (20").
- b. Construction and use of a pipeline from Stanlow AGI to Flint AGI via Northop Hall AGI (36").
- c. Construction and use of a pipeline from Flint AGI to a connection point with the existing natural gas pipeline between Connah's Quay and Point of Ayr Terminal (the 'Flint Connection') (24").
- d. The repurposing and use of the existing natural gas pipeline for the transportation of CO<sub>2</sub> from the Flint Connection to the Point of Ayr Terminal (24").
- e. Construction and use of Ince AGI.
- f. Construction and use of Flint AGI.
- g. Construction and use of Stanlow AGI.
- h. Construction and use of Northop Hall AGI.

- i. Construction and use of Block Valve Stations ('BVSs') located along the existing natural gas pipeline between Flint Connection and Point of Ayr Terminal and the pipeline from Stanlow AGI to Flint AGI.

Items a-i together form the '**Pipeline**'.

- j. Other infrastructure such as cathodic protection transformer rectifier cabinets.
- k. Ancillary works integral to the construction of the Pipeline including construction compounds and access tracks.

All of items a-k together form the '**Proposed Development**'.

The Development Consent Order would also authorise: (i) the compulsory acquisition of interests in land and rights over land; (ii) the powers to use land permanently and temporarily; (iii) the construction of temporary accesses to the Proposed Development; (iv) the temporary stopping up or diversion of public rights of way, street works and highway works; and (v) the application and disapplication of certain legislation.

A Development Consent Order is required because the Proposed Development is a nationally significant infrastructure project pursuant to sections 14(1) and 21 of the Planning Act 2008, as it would authorise the construction and operation of a cross-country pipeline. It is for this reason that the Proposed Development falls within the remit of the Secretary of State's decision-making powers.

#### **Environmental Impact Assessment Development:**

The Proposed Development is an environmental impact assessment (EIA) development for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. An environmental statement accompanies the Application which provides a detailed description of the Proposed Development and the findings of the EIA undertaken.

#### **Application form and accompanying documents:**

All of the documents forming the Application ('Application Documents') can be viewed and downloaded free of charge online on the HyNet Carbon Dioxide Pipeline Project page of the Planning Inspectorate's National Infrastructure Planning website under the documents tab: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/north-west/hynet-carbon-dioxide-pipeline/?ipcsection=docs>

If you require a copy of the Application Documents, these can be provided free of charge on a USB stick (one USB stick per household). Please use the contact details for the Applicant below to request this.

It is intended that, subject to access limitations or social distancing imposed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic or any other reason, the Application Documents will be available via the HyNet Carbon Dioxide Pipeline Project page on the National Infrastructure Planning website: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/north-west/hynet-carbon-dioxide-pipeline/>. The website is accessible via computer or tablet from 1 December 2022 at the following Community Access Points:

Location	The documents will be available for viewing at the following times:
<b>Ellesmere Port Library</b> Civic Way, Ellesmere Port, CH65 0BG 0151 337 4684	Monday 9am-7pm, Tuesday 9am-5pm, Wednesday 9am-5pm, Thursday 9am-7pm, Friday 9am-7pm, Saturday 9am-1pm, Sunday Closed.
<b>Flint Library</b> Church Street, Flint, CH6 5AP 01352 703737	Monday 9:30am-5pm, Tuesday 9:30am-7pm, Wednesday 9:30am-5pm, Thursday 9:30am-7pm, Friday 9:30am-5pm, Saturday 9:30am-12pm, Sunday Closed.
<b>Prestatyn Library</b> 21 King's Avenue, Prestatyn, LL19 9AA 01745 854841	Monday 9.30am-6pm, Tuesday 9.30am-5pm, Wednesday 9.30am-1pm; Thursday 9.30am-5pm, Friday 9.30am-5pm, Saturday 9.30am-12.30pm, Sunday Closed.

If you have any questions about the Application Documents, have any queries on accessing documents or if you require a copy of the Application Documents to be supplied on a USB stick, you can email [info@hynet.co.uk](mailto:info@hynet.co.uk), write to FREEPOST HYNET NORTH WEST, or contact the Applicant by telephone on 0203 116 5919.

The Application Documents can also be supplied in hard copy format on request at a maximum cost of £1,075 for all documents (including files, covers and spines). For any bespoke document reproduction please contact us and we will provide the cost.

### Relevant Representations:

Any person may register as an Interested Party by submitting a Relevant Representation in respect of the Application during the representation period. Any Relevant Representations (giving notice of any interest in, or objection to, the Application) **must** be submitted on the required registration form provided by the Planning Inspectorate.

The Planning Inspectorate's registration form can be accessed online through their website here: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/north-west/hynet-carbon-dioxide-pipeline> from 1 December 2022.

Please contact the Planning Inspectorate directly for any hard copy registration forms, by telephoning them on **0303 444 5000**, and quoting the name of the Application ('HyNet Carbon Dioxide Pipeline') and the reference number: EN070007. A completed hard copy form can be submitted to The Planning Inspectorate at the following address:

The Planning Inspectorate, Temple Quay House, Temple Quay, BRISTOL, BS1 6PN.

All Relevant Representations must include details of the Interested Party's name, address and telephone number, along with an outline of the points intended to be made at the examination stage.

Please ensure that you quote reference **EN070007** in all correspondence with the Planning Inspectorate about the Application.

The Planning Inspectorate's 'Advice Notice 8.2: How to register to participate in an Examination', provides further guidance on how to register and make a Relevant Representation and can be accessed via the following link:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/advice-notes/advice-note-8-2-how-to-register-to-participate-in-an-examination/>

**Please note that Relevant Representations must be received by the Planning Inspectorate by 11.59pm on Friday 13 January 2023.**

Relevant Representations will be made public and will be subject to the Planning Inspectorate's privacy policy which can be accessed at the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/planning-inspectorate-privacy-notices/customer-privacy-notice>

**Liverpool Bay CCS Limited**