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To: Hvnet CO2 Pipeline

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Dear Mr. Butler,

Further to the Environment Agency's Deadline 1 submission to the Hynet Carbon Dioxide Pipeline DCO Examination, we wish to raise an additional matter for the ExA / applicant's consideration.

Specifically, it is not clear at this time whether the decommissioning proposals are acceptable without the additional ground investigation / assessment work being undertaken. The acceptability of the pipeline being left 'in-situ' post-operation may also be determined by the method of construction and depths of the pipeline below ground (please note, we have raised a query in regard to the proposed pipeline depths under 'Section 2' of our Deadline 1 response with regards to the Draft Development Consent Order [APP-024]).

In our Written Representation ('Section 2' of our letter ref. SO/2023/123043/01-L01), we raised that additional ground investigation and assessment will be pertinent in determining the necessity for site-specific remedial work and any additional considerations for permitting / consenting requirements. This additional work will also determine the acceptability of the decommissioning proposals to leave the pipeline 'in-situ' once operations cease.

We appreciate this correspondence will be received after the Deadline 1 submission date for responses and would welcome acceptance of this email as part of the Environment Agency's representation, if agreeable to the ExA.

Should you have any queries on the above, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

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