

Viking CCS Pipeline

8.28 Statement of Commonality for Statements of Common Ground

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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose of this Document

- 1.1.1 This Statement of Commonality has been prepared in order to provide the Examining Authority (ExA) with a summary of the current position and progress towards preparing and agreeing Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) between Chrysaor Production (UK) Limited (“the Applicant”) and relevant statutory consultees, statutory undertakers and interested parties (“other parties”) in relation to the proposed Viking CCS Pipeline (the “DCO Proposed Development”).
- 1.1.2 The Rule 6 Letter dated 15 February 2024 requires the submission of SoCGs requested by the ExA and a Statement of Commonality for SoCGs at Deadline 1 with further updates if required, as per the Rule 8 letter at each subsequent deadlines (Deadline 3, 4, and 5) up to the submission of finalised SoCGs at Deadline 6 on 19th September.
- 1.1.3 This document provides the current position on the commonality on specific points between SoCGs at Examination Deadline 1 (26th April 2024). This document will be updated for each subsequent deadline if required.

1.2 Structure of this Document

- 1.2.1 The remainder of this document is structured as follows:
- Section 1 sets out the purpose of the document.
 - Section 2 provides an up to date list of SoCGs.
 - Section 3 sets out the current position of the SoCGs.
 - Section 4 sets out the commonality between SoCGs and a summary of the current position.

2 List of Statements of Common Ground

2.1 List of SoCGs

- 2.1.1 In accordance with the guidance published by the Department for Communities and Local Government¹ (DCLG), the Applicant has prepared SoCGs with a number of statutory consultees, statutory undertakers and interested parties during the preparation of the DCO and during the Examination stage.
- 2.1.2 The SoCGs identify matters on which parties agree and document the position of each party where agreement has not been reached. Table 2-1 below provides a list of SoCGs that are being prepared and their current status.

Table 2-1: List of SoCGs at Deadline 1

¹ Department for Communities and Local Government. Planning Act 2008: Guidance for the examination of applications for development consent. London: Department for Communities and Local Government, 2015

Document Reference	SoCG Party	Position
EN070008/EXAM/8.1	North East Lincolnshire Council	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1.
EN070008/EXAM/8.2	North Lincolnshire Council	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1.
EN070008/EXAM/8.3	Lincolnshire County Council	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1.
EN070008/EXAM/8.4	East Lindsey District Council	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1.
EN070008/EXAM/8.5	West Lindsey District Council	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1.
EN070008/EXAM/8.6	Anglian Water	SoCG prepared and shared with stakeholder. Engagement is ongoing. SoCG not submitted at Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.7	Cadent Gas	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1.
EN070008/EXAM/8.8	Centrica	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.9	Environment Agency	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.10	Historic England	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.12	National Gas Transmission	SoCG prepared and shared with stakeholder. Engagement is ongoing. SoCG not submitted at Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.13	National Grid Electricity Transmission	SoCG being prepared. Engagement is ongoing. SoCG not submitted at Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.14	National Highways	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.15	Natural England	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.16	Network Rail	SoCG prepared and under discussion.

		Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1.
EN070008/EXAM/8.17	Northern Power Grid	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.18	Kindsey Marsh Drainage Board	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM8.19	North East Lindsey IDB	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.20	Phillips 66	SoCG being prepared. Engagement is ongoing. SoCG not submitted at Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.21	VPI Immingham	SoCG being prepared. Engagement is ongoing. SoCG not submitted at Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.22	Uniper	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.23	Calor Gas	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.24	British Pipeline Agency	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.25	Louth Navigation Trust	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1
EN070008/EXAM/8.26	Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1.
EN070008/EXAM/8.27	UKHSA	SoCG prepared and under discussion. Version 1 submitted for Deadline 1.

3 Summary of Current Position

3.1.1 This section provides the current position of each SoCG and where further progress has been made at each deadline with SoCG parties. Where the final version of an SoCG has been agreed, it will be submitted alongside this document.

3.1.2 Table 3-1 provides a high level position and where necessary includes further detail to aid understanding of the ExA. In summary, the high level positions for each SoCG are as follows:

- **SoCG in draft** – The SoCG has been drafted by the Applicant and it has been shared with the other party and comments provided and discussions are in progress.
- **Final Signed SoCG all matters agreed** – The final SoCG has been signed by both parties and all matters are agreed.
- **Final Signed SoCG with matters outstanding** – The final SoCG has been signed by both parties, and there remain matters outstanding that the Applicant and the other party agree will not be resolved during Examination.
- **SoCG Ceased** – There has been no further discussion by both parties.

Table 3-1: Status of SoCGs at Deadline 1 (26th April 2024)

Document Reference	SoCG Party	Position at Deadline 1 (26 April 2024)	Position at Deadline 2 (17 May 2024)	Position at Deadline 3 (11 June 2024)	Position at Deadline 4 (29 July 2024)	Position at Deadline 5 (2 September 2024)	Position at Deadline 6 (19 September 2024)
EN070008/EXAM/8.1	North East Lincolnshire Council	Draft SoCG submitted at Deadline 1					
EN070008/EXAM/8.2	North Lincolnshire Council	Draft SoCG submitted at Deadline 1					
EN070008/EXAM/8.3	Lincolnshire County Council	Draft SoCG submitted at Deadline 1					
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EN070008/EXAM/8.7	Cadent Gas	Draft SoCG submitted at Deadline 1					
EN070008/EXAM/8.8	Centrica	Draft SoCG submitted at Deadline 1					
EN070008/EXAM/8.9	Environment Agency	Draft SoCG submitted at Deadline 1					
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EN070008/EXAM/8.27	UKHSA	Draft SoCG submitted at Deadline 1					

4 Commonality

4.1 Summary

- 4.1.1 This section of the document provides a summary of issues covered in the SoCGs and demonstrates where there is commonality in the topics or matters being discussed with the various parties. The summary in Table 4-1 relates to those SoCGs being progressed, as summarised in Section 3.
- 4.1.2 The table presents topics covered within the various SoCGs and shows how these are relevant to each party and a position for each topic as follows:

Agreed	The matter is agreed between the parties, or there is no significant disagreement such that the matter is considered closed.
Not Agreed – No material Impact	The matter is not agreed between the parties; however the outcome of the approach taken by the Applicant or East Lindsey District Council is not considered to result in a material impact to the assessment conclusions. Discussions on this matter have concluded.
In Discussion	This matter is neither ‘agreed’ or ‘not agreed’. Technical work is being undertaken with the aim of achieving agreement, though the risk of disagreement remains.
Not Agreed	The matter is not agreed between the parties and the outcome of the approach taken by the Applicant or East Lindsey District Council is considered to result in a materially different impact to the assessment conclusions.

- 4.1.3 Where a matter is not relevant to a party, it is not included within the SoCG and therefore not covered in Table 4-1 and shown as a blank (white space).

