

Viking CCS Pipeline

8.17 Draft Statement of Common Ground – Northern Powergrid

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1 Introduction

1.1 Overview

- 1.1.1 This Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) has been prepared by Chrysaor Production (UK) Ltd (the 'Applicant') in conjunction with Northern Powergrid in respect of the Viking CCS Pipeline project (the 'Proposed Development').
- 1.1.2 The SoCG sets out the matters of agreement between the Applicant and Northern Powergrid and also explains those matters which, at the time of writing, remain unresolved between the parties. The agreements to date have been reached through consultation and continuing discussions between the parties through online meetings.

1.2 The Role of Northern Powergrid

- 1.2.1 Northern Powergrid Holdings Company is an electrical distribution company based in Newcastle Upon Tyne in England, which is the owner of Northern Powergrid plc.
- 1.2.2 Northern Powergrid is the distribution network operator for the North East England/Yorkshire regions and the North Lincolnshire area, which manages and provides electricity power to 3.9 million homes and businesses in the North East, Yorkshire and northern Lincolnshire.
- 1.2.3 Northern Powergrid is considered a statutory consultee for the proposed Viking CCS pipeline under Section 42 of the Planning Act (2008

1.3 Purpose of this Statement of Common Ground

- 1.3.1 The purpose of this document is to summarise the agreements reached between the parties on matters relevant to the examination of the application and to assist the Examining Authority ('ExA'). It also sets out the matters that remain unresolved at the time of writing, but which both parties are working positively toward resolving. As such, it is expected that further iterations of the SoCG will be submitted to the ExA throughout the Examination and prior to the making of any Development Consent Order ('DCO') for the Proposed Development.
- 1.3.2 The SoCG has been prepared with regard to the guidance in 'Planning Act 2008: examination of applications for development consent' (Department for Communities and Local Government, March 2015).
- 1.3.3 The proposed development crosses, or runs in close proximity to, numerous overhead lines and underground cables (33kV, 11kV and 415v) within the order limits.
- 1.3.4 In addition, the following specific items have been identified on the Northern Powergrid distribution network for either a permanent or temporary power supply connection:
 - Permanent Connections
 - o A18/Barton Street, Aylesby connection for BVS001 Washingdale Lane,
 - Throughfare, Ashby cum Fenby connection for BVS002 Thoroughfare
 - Louth Road, Alvingham connection for BVS003 Louth Road
 - o Former Theddlethorpe Gas Terminal site connection for Theddlethorpe AGI
 - Temporary Connections
 - o Habrough Rd roundabout, North Killingholme connection for Northern Compound

- A18 connection for Central compound
- 1.3.5 The remainder of this SoCG is structured as follows:
 - Section 2 Summary of consultation and discussions; and
 - Section 3 Position of the parties

1.4 Status of this Statement of Common Ground

1.4.1 This SoCG is currently in draft form.

2 Summary of Consultation and Discussions

Introduction

2.1.1 In addition to the consultation undertaken as part of statutory consultation, there have been a number of meetings and correspondence relating to the Proposed Development. Details of various meetings and key correspondence are set out in Table 2-1 Record of meetings and correspondence with Northern Powergrid.Table 2-1 below.

Date of meeting/	Description of meeting/correspondence
correspondence	
2022	Request for information of location of potential electrical connections to local Distribution Network
24 th November 2022	Email correspondence regarding notification of Viking CCS Pipeline Project – Statutory Consultation
11 th January 2023	Email correspondence requesting autocad.dwg or shape.shp type files of the red line DCO boundary be provided.
2 nd February 2023	Email correspondence requesting autocad.dwg or shape.shp type files of the red line DCO boundary be provided.
2 nd February 2023	Email correspondence providing latest kmz file showing the pipeline route and DCO boundary of the Viking CCS pipeline
6 th February 2023	Request for details of change in Statutory consultation letter dated 14 th May 2023.
19 th February 2023	Email correspondence with Northern Powergrid (Jenny Morris) comments on Statement of Common Ground and advising Weightmans regarding interactions
28 th February 2023	Email correspondence requesting an update on Northern Powergrid protective provisions for the Viking CCS pipeline.
2 nd March 2023	Email correspondence confirming preliminary review of plans and no major issues but reserving the right to review as scheme progresses.
7 th March 2023	Email correspondence with Weightmans comments on Statement of Common Ground

Table 2-1 Record of meetings and correspondence with Northern Powergrid.

3 Position of the Parties

- 3.1.1 Table 3-1 sets out the position of the parties relating to the following topics:
 - General protective provisions for other Northern Powergrid assets such as overhead and buried cables
- 3.1.2 To provide clarity, each of the matters for which a position has been attributed have been colour coded as follows:

Agreed	The matter is agreed between the parties, or there are 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 Northern Powergrid is not considered to result in a material impact to the assessment conclusions. Discussions on this matter have concluded.		
In discussion	on 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	agreed The matter is not agreed between the parties and the outcome of the approach taken by the Applicant or Northern Powergrid is considered to result in a materially different impact to the assessment conclusions.		

Table 3-1 Position of the Parties

ID	Matter	Detail	Related documents and their references	Comments from the Parties	Agreed / Not Agreed
NPg1	Engagement	The pre-application engagement undertaken by the applicant has been proactive and professional.	N/A	Applicant: Agreed Northern Powergrid: Agreed	Agreed
NPg2	Project Information	Details of the Proposed Development, including its need, have been provided.	N/A	 Applicant: Project information was notified through statutory consultation and correspondence during pre-application period. Northern Powergrid : Northern Powergrid is in principle supportive of the Viking CCS Pipeline DCO project. 	Agreed
NPg3	Protective Provision	The Applicant and Northern Powergrid have agreed a set of protective provisions for the benefit of Northern Powergrid.	N/A	 Applicant: Negotiation of protective provisions are ongoing and the Applicant hopes to agree these with Northern Powergrid in early course. Northern Powergrid: both parties are fully engaging in the negotiation of the protective provisions. 	In Discussion
NPg4	Protective Provisions	The protective provisions included in Part 8, Schedule 9 of the draft DCO (Revision A) [AS-008] ensure that appropriate protection and safeguarding measures for Northern Powergrid's assets and interests are in place. Should the provisions be agreed appropriate protection will be in place for Northern Powergrid and the parties agreed that Northern Powergrid will not suffer serious detriment to the carrying on of its undertaking as a result of the Proposed Development.	AS-008	Applicant: negotiation of protective provisions is ongoing and the Applicant hopes to agree these with Northern Powergrid in early course.Northern Powergrid: both parties are fully engaging in the negotiation of the protective provisions.	In Discussion

4 References

There are no documents referenced at present.