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APPLICATION BY CHRYSAOR PRODUCTION (UK) LIMITED (THE APPLICANT) FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER FOR THE VIKING CCS PIPELINE (EN070008).

THE VIKING CCS PIPELINE. EN070008 – APPLICATION FOR CHANGE REQUEST

Further to the Applicant's submission of its Notification of Intention to Submit a Change Request on 14 June 2024 [AS-059], please find enclosed the documents that form the Applicant's Change Request.

A full list of documents submitted as part of this Change Request can be found at Appendix 1. This includes revisions of previously submitted documents to incorporate the Change Request, as well as new documents providing information solely in respect of the Change Request.

An application for a change request was made by the Applicant to the Examining Authority on the 19th March 2024. The application included Change 1: Reduction of the Order Limits for works related to the Immingham Facility and associated accesses and Change 2: Removal of an option for the pipeline route in section 1 of the Proposed Development. As a result the changes outlined in this change request are numbered 3 to 8 and are described below.

A detailed description of each change and its justification was set out in the Notice of Intention to Submit a Change Request [AS-059] and is summarised below.

Change 3: Relocate Block Valve Station 3 (Louth Road BVS) to the south of Louth Road near Alvingham within the existing Order Limits.

Following submission of the application and discussions with the landowner, it was requested that Louth Road BVS be moved to the opposite side, to the south of Louth Road. The Applicant understands that the proposed location will have a lower impact on the landowner's agricultural operations.

This change does not bring additional land into compulsory acquisition and only changes the categorisation of acquisition sought. This change would not result in changes to the Order Limits and would not engage any new land interest.

Change 4: Narrowing of the Order Limits near the Anglian Water Treatment Works near Louth, to the South of Louth Road BVS.

Following ongoing engagement with Anglian Water, a preference has been expressed for the pipeline to be located as far to the east as possible, whilst avoiding other infrastructure.

This change would result in alterations to the Order Limits. The area of land within the Order Limits would be reduced and this change would not engage any new land interests. No additional land outside of the current Order Limits is required. This change would not result in new or different likely significant environmental effects reported in the Environmental Statement.

Change 5: Removal of Theddlethorpe Facility Option 2 from the Application.

As set out in the Environmental Statement (ES) Chapter 3: Description of the Proposed Development [APP-045] optionality was included for the location of the Theddlethorpe Facility was included due to uncertainty about potential alternative plans that National Gas Transmission (“NGT”) (as landowner) had for the former Theddlethorpe Gas Terminal (TGT) Site.

Following submission of the Application, representations were received from NGT (RR-056) and Mablethorpe Flexible Generation Limited (RR-070) regarding the proposed future use of the TGT Site. The Applicant has continued to work with these parties with a view to reaching a voluntary agreement that would allow use of the former TGT site for the Theddlethorpe Facility and accommodate potential future development by Mablethorpe Flexible Generation Limited.

The Applicant and NGT have now reached agreement on the terms of a voluntary agreement, with engrossed versions of those agreements now going through the final corporate approval processes of the respective organisations. As a result of this progress, the Applicant is now confident that Option 2 is no longer required and the Applicant is submitting a change request for this to be removed from the Proposed Development. As such the application document titled: Theddlethorpe Facilities Option 2, Plot Plan, Routing and Elevations [APP-021] is no longer relevant and can be withdrawn.

Change 6: Removal and modification of the Order Limits around the Theddlethorpe Facility Option 1 and Option 2.

Following continued engagement with NGT and Mablethorpe Flexible Generation Limited and as part of the voluntary agreement that would allow the use of the TGT Site for the Theddlethorpe Facility, a number of minor amendments to the Order Limits are required.

This change would reduce the area of land included in the Order Limits and would not engage any new land interests. No additional land outside the current Order Limits is required.

Change 7: Removal of a construction access point in North East Lincolnshire that adjoins the A18 Barton Road south of Laceby.

The Applicant has continued to engage with the Local Highway Authority, North East Lincolnshire Council, following submission of the Application. During these discussions, North East Lincolnshire Council has raised concern that adequate visibility may not be available for drivers entering and exiting construction access 12-AB leading east from the

A18 in North East Lincolnshire. It is proposed that this access is to be removed from the Proposed Development.

This change would result in alterations to the Order Limits and would reduce the area of land included in the Order Limits. It would not engage any new land interests and no additional land outside of the current Order Limits is required.

Change 8: Removal of a construction access point in North East Lincolnshire that adjoins the A46 west of Laceby.

The change notification letter submitted into the examination on the 14th June 2024 included a typographical error for change 8. The notification letter described that construction access 11-AA would be removed due to concerns regarding adequate visibility. The applicant can confirm that change 8 comprises the removal of construction access 11-AD. Construction access 11-AA and 11-AD are adjacent and both located along the north side of the A46.

Change 8 is necessary as the Applicant has continued to engage with the Local Highway Authority, North East Lincolnshire Council, following submission of the Application. During these discussions North East Lincolnshire Council has raised concern that adequate visibility may not be available for drivers entering and exiting construction access 11-AD leading north from A46. It is proposed that this access is removed from the Proposed Development and the Order Limits.

This change would result in alterations to the Order Limits and would reduce the area of land included in the Order Limits. It would not engage any new land interests and no additional land outside of the current Order Limits is required.

Changes 3 to 8 outlined above would result in alterations to the Order Limits and would reduce the area of land included in the Order Limits. They would not engage any new land interests. As set out in the Environmental Technical Notes (Document Reference 9.40 and 9.41), the changes will not result in new or different likely significant adverse effects to those reported in the Environmental Statement (ES). In three instances moderate (significant) effects on the setting of listed buildings would no longer occur. Therefore the ES conclusions have not materially changed. The proposed changes will not require any new or additional consents or licences to be obtained.

Kind regards,

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Appendix A - Schedule of documents submitted with application for change 3 to 8.

Application document reference	PINS Document Reference (most up to date reference)	Document Title	Comments
EN070008/APP/2.1 Revision E	[REP3-002]	Draft DCO	Updated documentation incorporating Change Request.
EN070008/APP/2.2 Revision D	[REP3-006]	Schedule of changes to the draft DCO	Updated documentation incorporating Change Request.
EN070008/APP/3.2 Revision D	[REP3-007]	Statement of Reasons	Updated documentation incorporating Change Request.
EN070008/APP/3.3 Revision D	[REP2-002]	Book of Reference	Updated documentation incorporating Change Request and general update.
Not Applicable	[REP1-052]	Schedule of Changes to the Book of Reference	Updated documentation incorporating Change Request.
EN070008/APP/4.2 Revision B	[APP-014]	Works Plans (Parts 1 and 2)	Updated documentation incorporating Change Request.
EN070008/APP/4.3 Revision C	[REP-1-012]	Land Plans	Updated documentation incorporating Change Request.
EN070008/APP/4.4 Revision C	[AS-050]	Crown Land Plans	Updated documentation incorporating Change Request.
EN070008/APP/4.5 Revision C	[AS-051]	Special Category Land Plans	Updated documentation incorporating Change Request.
EN070008/APP/4.7 Revision A	[APP-020]	Theddlethorpe Facilities Option 1, Plot Plan, Routing and Elevations	Updated front cover to reflect that this is the only layout for the Theddlethorpe Facility if Option 2 is removed.
EN070008/APP/4.20 Revision C	[REP1-011]	Access and Rights of Way Plans	Updated documentation incorporating Change Request.
EN070008/EXAM/9.5	[REP3-024]	Guide to the examination documents	Updated documentation incorporating Change Request.

EN070008/EXAM/9.40	New Document	Design Changes 3 and 4: Environmental Technical Note	Updated documentation incorporating Change Request.
EN070008/EXAM/9.41	New Document	Design Changes 5 to 8: Environmental Technical Note	Updated documentation incorporating Change Request.
EN070008/EXAM/9.39	New Document	Change application cover letter	Updated documentation incorporating Change Request.