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Dear Sirs

**The Viking Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) Pipeline (the "Scheme")**  
**Our Client: Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency ("DVSA")**

We act for DVSA in this matter.

As outlined in previous correspondence, DVSA is the owner and occupier of land registered under title number HS347729 (the "**Site**"), which has been identified by Chrysaor Productions (UK) Limited (the "**Applicant**") as being affected by the Scheme.

Whilst DVSA does not object to the principle of the Scheme as a whole, DVSA continues to have significant concerns regarding the disruption that the Scheme will cause DVSA's operations at the Site.

DVSA currently uses the Site to conduct roadside checks on commercial drivers and vehicles, enabling them to fulfil their functions of enforcing roadway laws and promoting road safety.

However, the Applicant's agent has confirmed that, as a last resort, the pipeline may be routed directly through DVSA's site. This will result in DVSA needing to fully relocate its operations for the duration of construction. From DVSA's initial enquiries, it is becoming increasingly apparent that the likelihood of finding a suitable alternative site in the locality is very small, and potentially impossible.

DVSA continues to engage with the Applicant in negotiating commercial terms for an option for lease and lease of the Site to enable the installation and operation of the Scheme, including relocation provisions. However, DVSA objects to any proposed route of the Scheme that will cross the Site and result in DVSA needing to relocate due to the significant disruption it will cause to DVSA's operations.

On the basis that we have informed PINS of DVSA's concern regarding the potential route by correspondence, we do not propose to attend the hearing on 17 July to reiterate this point on DVSA's behalf. However, please do not hesitate to contact us should PINS require any further information or consider it necessary for a representative of DVSA to attend a hearing.



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