

## Viking CCS Pipeline

# 9.62 Deadline 5 Cover Letter

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Dear Caroline

**Planning Act 2008. Application for Development Consent EN070008: Viking CCS Pipeline – Deadline 5 Submission.**

We are pleased to enclose documents submitted on behalf of the applicant, Chrysaor Production (U.K.) Ltd, as requested by the Examining Authority (ExA) in Annex A of the Rule 8 letter dated 3 April 2024 as well as a number of updated application documents. Where a previously submitted document has been updated, this has been submitted in both a ‘clean’ and ‘tracked’ version where appropriate.

The documents listed in the Table below are those submitted by the applicant for Deadline 5.

| Application Doc Reference | Document Title   |
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| EN070008/APP/2.1          | Draft Development Consent Order                                      |
| EN070008/APP/2.2          | Explanatory Memorandum to draft Development Consent Order            |
| EN070008/APP/2.3          | Schedule of Changes to the draft DCO                                 |
| EN070008/APP/3.3          | Book of Reference and Schedule of Changes                            |
| EN070008/APP/3.4          | Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought                           |
| EN070008/APP/3.5          | Compulsory Acquisition Tracker                                       |
| EN070008/APP/4.3          | Land Plans   |
| EN070008/APP/6.4.3.1      | Environmental Statement Appendix 3-1 Draft CEMP                      |
| EN070008/APP/6.4.3.5      | Environmental Statement Appendix 3-5 Decommissioning Strategy        |
| EN070008/APP/6.4.9.3      | Environmental Statement Appendix 9-3 Hydrogeological Risk Assessment |
| EN070008/APP/6.4.10.1     | Environmental Statement Appendix 10-1 Outline Soil Management Plan   |
| EN070008/APP/6.5          | Habitats Regulations Assessment                                      |
| EN070008/APP/6.8          | Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan                     |
| EN070008/EXAM/6.12        | Bridging Document  |
| EN070008/EXAM/7.2         | Consents and Agreements Position Statement                           |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.1         | Draft Statement of Common Ground – North East Lincolnshire Council   |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.3         | Draft Statement of Common Ground – Lincolnshire County Council       |

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| EN070008/EXAM/8.4  | Draft Statement of Common Ground – East Lindsey District Council   |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.5  | Final Statement of Common Ground – West Lindsey District Council   |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.6  | Draft Statement of Common Ground – Anglian Water   |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.7  | Draft Statement of Common Ground – Cadent Gas  |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.8  | Draft Statement of Common Ground – Centrica  |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.9  | Draft Statement of Common Ground – Environment Agency  |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.12 | Draft Statement of Common Ground – National Gas Transmission   |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.13 | Draft Statement of Common Ground – National Grid Electricity Transmission  |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.14 | Draft Statement of Common Ground – National Highways   |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.16 | Draft Statement of Common Ground – Network Rail  |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.17 | Draft Statement of Common Ground – Northern Power Grid   |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.18 | Draft Statement of Common Ground – Lindsey Marsh Drainage Board  |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.19 | Draft Statement of Common Ground – North East Lindsey IDB  |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.23 | Draft Statement of Common Ground – Calor Gas   |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.25 | Draft Statement of Common Ground – Louth Navigation Trust  |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.26 | Draft Statement of Common Ground – Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency   |
| EN070008/EXAM/8.28 | Statement of Commonality for Statements of Common Ground   |
| EN070008/EXAM/9.5  | Guide to the Examination Documents   |
| EN070008/EXAM/9.49 | Position Statement on the Benefits of the Proposed Development   |
| EN070008/EXAM/9.52 | Detailed Archaeological Mitigation Strategy  |
| EN070008/EXAM/9.62 | This Cover Letter  |
| EN070008/EXAM/9.63 | Applicant's Response to Questions within the Examining Authority's Report on the Implications for European Sites |
| EN070008/EXAM/9.64 | Applicant's Response to the Examining Authority's Second Written Questions                                       |
| EN070008/EXAM/9.65 | Response to Examining Authority's Proposed Schedule of Changes to the dDCO                                       |
| EN070008/EXAM/9.66 | Applicant's Comments on the Submissions made at Deadline 4   |

## Statements of Common Ground

The applicant has updated and shared Statements of Common Ground with Interested Parties. The Statement of Common Ground between the applicant and Historic England has been finalised and signed by both parties and was submitted at Deadline 4. The Statement of Common Ground between the Applicant and West Lindsey District Council has been finalised and signed by both parties and is submitted as the final version for deadline 5. The Statement of Common Ground has been updated and shared with North Lincolnshire Council for comment to be submitted to the examining authority following Deadline 5.

Meetings and discussions have taken place with Natural England to discuss remaining matters in the Statement of Common Ground. A number of issues are in the process of being agreed and the Statement of Common Ground will be updated and submitted at Deadline 6.

An updated Statement of Common Ground prepared with East Lindsey District Council has been submitted at Deadline 5 [EN070008/EXAM/8.4]. It has not been possible to agree updates to the Noise and Vibration section of the Statement due to a period of sick leave for specialist representing the Local Authority and therefore Noise and Vibration matters remain in discussion. The applicant will continue to progress this Statement with the Local Authority before Deadline 6.

A Statement of Common Ground is being prepared by the Applicant and Phillips 66 Limited. The Applicant and Phillips 66 Limited have agreed the location of the Immingham Facility. The Parties have also agreed terms for the land to be acquired by the Applicant on a voluntary basis and the required agreements executed. The Statement of common Ground is being updated to reflect this position and will be submitted at Deadline 6.

The Statement of Common Ground with the UKHSA has been updated and shared for comment. The Statement is being updated and will be submitted at Deadline 6. The Statement of Commonality [EN070008/EXAM/8.28] has been updated and submitted at Deadline 5.

### **Passing Bay Strategy**

The actions arising from the Issue Specific Hearing 3 (ISH3) held on Wednesday 17 July 2024 included for the applicant to prepare a passing bay strategy for Thoroughfare. The strategy would be added to the Construction Traffic Management Plan and would include detail on how traffic would be managed at the Thoroughfare / haul road interface.

The applicant has progressed this matter and technical notes regarding the need for passing places were issued to Lincolnshire County Council (in respect of Thoroughfare and Thacker Bank) and North East Lincolnshire Council (in respect of Thoroughfare and Washingdales Lane) on the 14th August. Comments were received back from North East Lincolnshire Council by email on 27 August, and a meeting was held the same day. It was agreed that the best way to take forward proposals for passing places on these roads was through an additional commitment to be included in the CEMP and therefore a separate Passing Bay Strategy has not been submitted at Deadline 5. The wording of the additional measures included in the CEMP [EN070008/APP/6.4.3.1] is as follows:

H15 - Temporary passing places will need to be installed on Washingdales Lane, Thoroughfare, and Thacker Bank. Applications will be made to North East Lincolnshire Council and Lincolnshire County Council prior to construction to seek permission to install the temporary passing places. These applications will include the necessary details for each passing place, including both existing unmade passing places and new passing places.

### **Detailed Archaeological Mitigation Strategy**

The actions arising from the Issue Specific Hearing 3 (ISH3) held on Wednesday 17 July 2024 included for the applicant to prepare a scheme of evaluation and mitigation (a detailed archaeological mitigation strategy (DAMS)) to be prepared in respect of Cultural Heritage.

The DAMs has been prepared and was shared with Historic England and Local Authority heritage officers for review on the 15<sup>th</sup> August for review and comment. The stakeholders have not yet provided comments and a copy of the DAMS [EN070008/EXAM/9.52] has been submitted for Deadline 5.

### **Draft DCO article numbering**

The Applicant wishes to highlight that the draft DCO (Revision G) [EN070008/APP/2.1] has been updated to include a new article 8 in respect of the application of Lincolnshire County Council's permitting scheme. In consequence of this article being added, all subsequent articles have been re-numbered.

Kind regards

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