

The Planning Inspectorate  
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**Your ref:** EN070009  
**Date:** 18 December 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

**H2TEESSIDE PROJECT – THE EXAMINING AUTHORITY’S SECOND WRITTEN QUESTIONS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION (ExQ2) AND DEADLINE 4 SUBMISSIONS LAND EITHER SIDE OF THE RIVER TEES WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF REDCAR AND CLEVELAND AND STOCKTON-ON-TEES ON TEESSIDE AND THE BOROUGH OF HARTLEPOOL IN COUNTY DURHAM**

Please find enclosed the Environment Agency’s (EA) comments on the Examining Authority’s second written questions and requests for information (ExQ2), which we received on 28 November 2024.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Yours faithfully,

**Cameron Chandler**  
**Planning Advisor**

**EA comments to Examining Authority's second written questions**

<b><u>ExQ1</u></b>	<b><u>Question to:</u></b>	<b><u>Question and EA response</u></b>
<b><u>Q2.10.4</u></b>	<b><u>EA</u></b>	<p><b>The Applicant provided an update to the ExA during ISH2 (DCO) with regard to its Application for an EP. This information is reflective of the position set out in the draft SoCG [REP4-019] between the Applicant and the EA, and in subsequent response submitted by the Applicant. As such the ExA would seek an update in regard to the status of the EP from the EA, which confirms the current position regarding EP, including whether the EP Application has now been accepted by the EA as duly made. If not yet accepted as 'duly made' please advise what information/ details remain outstanding.</b></p> <p>EA Comments: The Environmental Permit application has not yet been duly made. We would advise the applicant to contact the Environment Agency's National Permitting Service (NPS) regarding the permit application.</p>