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Subject: H2 Teesside - National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc - Response to Procedural Decision [PD-020]

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Importance: High

Dear Sirs,

We act on behalf of National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc ("NGET").

NGET made a made a Relevant Representation in this matter on 1 July 2024 [RR-024], a Written Representation on 3 October 2024 [REP2-068], a detailed written submission on 20 December 2024 [REP5-064] and further written submissions on 22 January 2025 [REP6A-033] and 6 February 2025 [REP7-049] (together the "Existing Representations").

NGET also attended Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 2 ("CAH2") which was held virtually on 13 January 2025.

NGET notes the contents of the Examining Authority's Procedural Decision of 10 February 2025 [**PD-020**], including the variations to the Examination timetable as set out in Annex A.

Whilst NGET will seek to ensure that a response to the Applicant's most recent change request is provided by the new Deadline 7A (17 February 2025), it is noted that the Applicant has not yet made available the finalised drawings referenced in Paragraphs 2.2.21 and 2.2.22 (and elsewhere) of the Second Application Change Report [REP7-011]. Those drawings appear central to the compromise position which the Applicant has advanced in respect of Change 4 and, as a consequence, it is important that NGET has sufficient opportunity to fully consider the same (both in terms of any effects to its existing operations and also in terms of its expansion proposals for Saltholme Substation) before responding to the Examining Authority.

With the above in mind, NGET would be grateful if the Examining Authority could please confirm it is content to exercise its discretion in order to allow NGET, if required, to provide its written submission as soon as possible after Deadline 7A. There would remain an opportunity for the Applicant to respond to those submissions, either at Deadline 8 or at Deadline 9.

NGET would also welcome any assistance from the Examining Authority in helping to ensure the prompt circulation of the drawings referenced above.

We would be grateful for confirmation of receipt of this email.

Yours faithfully,

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