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Subject: DEADLINE 8 SUMMARY OF ORAL SUBMISSION ON BEHALF OF MR.F.G AND MRS.L WHITING SCOTLAND LODGE FARM ISSUE SPECIFIC HEARING 10 29TH AUGUST 2019
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Dear Sirs ,

The Issue raised at ISH 10

DOES OEMP AND WAT 11 ADEQUATELY COVER PROVISION OF ALTERNATIVE WATER SUPPLIES AND SHOULD THIS BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MAINS CONTRACTOR

In essence the OEMP and WAT 11 simply state that the ALO will determine the measures to maintain the livestock water supplies which may be affected due to the construction works and states that the main contractor will recognise the rights of existing contractors and will consult with them about providing alternative supplies.

Prior to me speaking on behalf on my clients both the agent on behalf of the Turner family with 500 Suckler Cows and Rachael Hosier with a 1000 pigs put forward reasoned arguments explaining the difficulties their businesses would suffer as a consequence of their private water supplies being affected and the practical difficulties ensuring alternative supplies pose and why passing the responsibility of this onto the mains works contractor is unacceptable and should remain with the applicant.

I identified that the owners of Scotland Lodge Farm would be affected as well and can now advise that unlike the Turners and Hosiers that there is no reservoir on Scotland Lodge Farm as their private supply is located on property they do not own which means water is supplied instantly to where it is needed to either any of the properties , stables, buildings and paddocks. If the supply was affected in any way the results would be known instantly by the 3 dwellings as well as the livery business. Horses need regular supplies of fresh water and will on average consume about 10 gallons per day. I attach a link that explains how long horses can survive without water and explains the dehydration process and signs of dehydration to look out for. <https://horses.extension.org/2019/07/how-should-dehydration-be-treated-how-long-can-a-horse-go-without-water/>

What has also not been addressed is as a result of a failure of supply who will pay for the water consumed if the supply is from Wessex Water and if in the event that the alternative supply cannot be reconnected that the applicant will pay these costs in perpetuity.

This is a very real possibility if the provision of potential alternative supplies is not adequately addressed now that the applicant may play a part in the unavoidable destruction of livestock as a result of failing to understand the need for a plan to be in place prior to any construction. It is simply unacceptable that this function be passed over by the applicant to the mains works contractor. The provision of replacement supplies needs to be addressed now as otherwise after construction is too late as Highways England and their advisers have no understanding of the practical problems supplying water to where it may be required poses particularly on livestock units where the supply may originate from a reservoir although at Scotland Lodge this is not the case .

I would therefore ask if it is at all possible for the ExA to determine that their needs to be an

agreed strategy and plan for the provision of alternative water supplies within the DCO .

Yours faithfully

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