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Planning Inspectorate
(online submission)

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Our ref: AW/Lower Thames Crossing/D1

18th July 2023

Dear Examining Authority,

**Application by National Highways for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Lower Thames Crossing
Deadline 1 – Written Representation**

Anglian Water is the statutory sewerage undertaker within the Order limits of the Lower Thames Crossing project, north of the River Thames. As stated in our Relevant Representation, Anglian Water and National Highways have been in discussion on the project since September 2018 regarding interfaces with our property, assets and relevant diversions. The National Highways project requires a number of Anglian Water pipes to be diverted and other assets to be protected.

Protective Provisions and Side Agreement

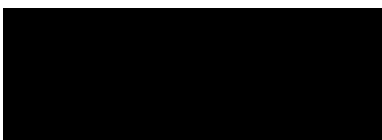
Anglian Water and National Highways have liaised throughout the pre-submission and post-submission period to date, in order to progress a Side Agreement that modifies the Protective Provisions cited in the draft DCO for the protection of electricity, gas, water and sewerage undertakers (Schedule 14 Part 1). The National Highways preference for an alternative approach via a Side Agreement due to the number of utility providers affected by the project, was accepted by Anglian Water. The agreement has now been finalised and agreed to the satisfaction of both parties.

Statement of Common Ground

As a result of the finalised Side Agreement, the draft Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) between both parties, to be submitted by the Applicant at Deadline 1, demonstrates that the outstanding matters reflected in previous discussions with National Highways and highlighted as unresolved points in our Relevant Representation, are now agreed.

Given that the Protective Provisions in the Side Agreement and matters in the Statement of Common Ground are agreed between both parties, Anglian Water will only need to participate in the examination on any new issues or subsequent material changes to the draft DCO, should these prove to be more prejudicial to our interests.

Yours sincerely,



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