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Dear A303 Casework Team FAO: Natasha Kopala (Department for Transport)
It has come to our attention that the wording in Table 7.1 of '9.44 – *Submission in response to the Secretary of State's letter dated 21 July 2020*' relating to Plot 4/4b could be misconstrued.

Mr Plested, the landowner of Plot 4/4b, owns several other land plots required for the scheme. We have had productive and positive discussions with the landowner (and agent) but they do not wish to advance those discussions to signature of any form of agreement until the outcome of the DCO is known. The landowner has expressed concern over the location of the turning head as it brings it closer to its farming operation. We expect this issue to be part of the overall negotiations in the event the DCO is granted and do not expect to alter the location of the turning head, for design reasons, and expect this can be resolved in the negotiations. This means that in the event the powers of compulsory acquisition of permanent rights sought in the DCO are not granted, and it is not possible to resolve the issue with the landowner as part of the wider negotiations, our ultimate fall back would be an amendment to the DCO as explained in our submission.

On a separate point, we thought it would be helpful to confirm that a section 106 unilateral undertaking in favour of South Somerset District Council and the Ministry of Defence in relation to bird strike has been developed in discussion with the MOD Safeguarding Team. This is expected to be executed by Wednesday 23 September 2020.

Kind regards

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