

**A47 NORTH TUDDENHAM TO EASTON (THE “PROJECT”)
DEADLINE 1 – 1 SEPTEMBER 2021
NATIONAL GRID GAS PLC**

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 National Grid Gas plc (“**NGG**”) is a statutory undertaker for the purposes of the Planning Act 2008. NGG assets which have been identified as being within or within close proximity to the proposed Order limits are: High Pressure Gas Pipeline: Feeder 3 – Felthorpe to Hardingham (the “**High Pressure Gas Pipeline**”).
- 1.2 These submissions supplement NGG’s relevant representations which were received by the ExA on 17 June 2021.

2. DIVERSION OF THE HIGH PRESSURE GAS PIPELINE

- 2.1 Article 10(11) provides that the consent of the Secretary of State is not required where the transfer or grant is made to NG for the purpose of undertaking Works Nos. 84.
- 2.2 Work No. 84 is for the “*diversion of a high pressure gas pipeline, potable water pipeline and overhead electronic communications and low voltage electricity utility cables along Wood Lane, the existing A47, Berrys Land and Dereham Road, Honingham, affected by Works Nos. 1, 17, 18, 29, 24, 26, 27, 28 and 32 shown on sheet numbers 9 and 10 of the works plans*”. This is the High Pressure Gas Pipeline.
- 2.3 NGG is currently liaising with the Promoter regarding the extent of the land required for the diversion of the High Pressure Gas Pipeline.
- 2.4 NGG is also liaising with the Promoter regarding the access that is currently proposed to facilitate the diversion. The field where the HDD apparatus will be located will require a better access than the existing farmer’s access provides. This is because (a) there are overhead cables that cross in parallel to Berry’s Lane; and (b) there will be a steady flow of tankers in and out transporting bentonite and the treated arisings from the drill will also need to be removed. The proposed access is not suitable for the type and volume of traffic required.
- 2.5 NGG and the Promoter will continue to work together to resolve these points and NGG will update the ExA as to progress at subsequent deadlines.

3. PROTECTIVE PROVISIONS

- 3.1 NGG welcomes the inclusion of protective provisions for its benefit in the dDCO. NGG is liaising with the Promoter regarding the protective provisions and intends that these be secured by way of a side agreement. NGG is confident that agreement will be reached and will update the ExA in due course.