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Dear Sirs

A66 NORTHERN TRANS-PENNINE PROJECT SUBMITTED BY NATIONAL HIGHWAYS ('THE APPLICANT')

OUR CLIENT: NORTHERN POWERGRID (YORKSHIRE) PLC

We write on behalf of our client, Northern Powergrid (Yorkshire) PLC, who objected to the above mentioned Order on 2 September 2022. Our client has now reached agreement with the Applicant and is entering into an Asset Protection Agreement with the Applicant in relation to affected apparatus. The completion of the aforementioned Asset Protection Agreement is to be arranged for imminently; engrossments are in circulation. Once completed, our client's concerns for the scheme are resolved and as such our client withdraws their objection to the Order subject to the Asset Protection Agreement being completed. This letter is therefore formal notice of the objection being withdrawn which shall take effect only on the day on which the agreement completes.

Please note that where the Asset Protection Agreement does not complete, the objection is not withdrawn and NPG's concerns regarding the scheme remain.

The parties will provide confirmation of the completion of the Asset Protection Agreement in due course so as to notify the Planning Inspectorate of the date on which my client's written objection to the scheme can be deemed withdrawn.

Please kindly confirm receipt of this letter upon delivery.

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Yours faithfully

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