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Date: 29-NOV-2023

Dear Sir/Madam

PLANNING ACT 2008 AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (EXAMINATION PROCEDURE) RULES 2010

APPLICATION BY NATIONAL HIGHWAYS (“THE APPLICANT”) FOR AN ORDER GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR THE PROPOSED A66 NORTHERN TRANS-PENNINE PROJECT

CONSULTATION SEEKING COMMENTS FROM THE APPLICANT AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

Thank you for your letter dated 8 November 2023 regarding the above proposed development. In response to this letter, which references earlier consultations, United Utilities Water Limited (U UW) wishes to confirm that a side agreement is now completed between U UW and the applicant. This was completed on 24th October. As a result, U UW confirmed withdrawal of a previous objection on 25 October.

In relation to the contents of the consultation letter dated 8th November, U UW would request that the applicant consults with U UW on any blanket bog restoration. This reflects the fact that much of the land within the SAC is identified as land used for public water supply catchment purposes.

With regards to draft Article 53, which relates to a requirement for the submission of a second iteration of Environmental Management Plans, we request that the applicant undertakes early consultation with U UW on the content of the EMP in accordance with the provisions of the side agreement. This reflects the fact that the EMP will cover matters such as construction management plans and controls associated with vibration. The content of such documents could affect U UW assets.

In relation to draft Article 54, which relates to detailed design, we similarly request that the applicant undertakes early consultation with U UW on any detailed design changes in accordance with the provisions of the side agreement.

If you have any queries regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to me at planning.liaison@uuplc.co.uk.

Yours faithfully

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