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Cambridge Waste Water Treatment Plant Change Notification Request: reduction in the Scheme Order Limits

Application Ref: WW010003

Dear Deborah,

We would like to inform the Planning Inspectorate and Examining Authority (ExA) of our intention to submit a Change Notification Request for a minor revision to the Scheme Order Limits to reflect a reduction in land take and to submit the relevant updated application documentation reflecting this in advance of the Preliminary Meeting on 17th October 2023.

The proposed change has arisen since application submission from our ongoing engagement with SLC Rail, Waterbeach Development Company and other relevant parties. We are now in receipt of clear and updated plans showing the location of the new Waterbeach Railway Station (planning application approved 9th January 2020) and also confirming the proposed location of the new Waterbeach pumping station. The ExA will note from the Application (Chapter 2: Project Description (Doc 5.2.2)) that the rationale for the current Scheme Order Limits in this area was due to the then unknown location of the new pumping station required for Waterbeach New Town (which does not form part of the DCO Development).

Whilst the pumping station location is not completely final (planning permission is not yet granted), the Applicant understands that the intended location has been further refined following confirmation of the location of the new train station and more detailed designs in respect of the station and associated infrastructure. The refinement of that location by the Waterbeach Development Company means we have been able to review the extent of the Scheme Order limits at the northern end of the Waterbeach pipeline works with a view to reducing the area of land required for the DCO Development including refining the location of the temporary compound.



We are therefore proposing a minor amendment to the current Scheme Order Limits:

• A reduction in size of Land Parcel 069a which reduces the extent of the overlap with the proposed Waterbeach New Town Railway Station.

The Applicant considers that the Infrastructure Planning (Compulsory Acquisition) Regulations 2010 are **not** engaged by this change, since the change to the Scheme Order limits is a reduction in the land affected. The proposed change would result in changes to the types of compulsory acquisition and temporary possession sought (such as altering the powers over some land which is currently proposed to be subject to permanent acquisition of rights to powers of temporary possession). There are no interests or areas of land which would be subject to 'higher' powers of acquisition as a result of this change.

The Applicant has considered the environmental effects of the proposed change and does not consider that the reduction of the order limits will result in any new or different likely significant environmental effects. There will be a need to update some of the Environmental Statement Chapters (described below) to amend the descriptions of impacts and the Biodiversity Net Gain will need to be recalculated to reflect a revised baseline of reduced Order limits, but none of these changes result in new or different likely significant effects. It is intended that these changes are reflected in a single addendum to the Environmental Statement.

It is the Applicant's intention to revise the Scheme Order Limits to reflect the reduced area of land affected and to submit the relevant updated application documentation in advance of the Preliminary Meeting. The relevant documentation that will be updated in the light of the reduction in Scheme Order Limits, in addition to the Environmental Statement addendum, is set out below

- Book of Reference;
- Statement of Reasons;
- Draft Development Consent Order;
- All key plans and any sheets showing the area of change within Volume 4 (Plans and Drawings) of the DCO Application with the exception of the detailed design plans;
- Part B of the Code of Construction Practice (Doc 5.4.2.2); and
- The following documents from Volume 7 of the DCO application:
 - The Planning Statement; and
 - Design and Access Statement to include an interleaf to set out the Scheme Order Limit change.

As the proposed change does not result in any new or different likely significant effects and that the Infrastructure Planning (Compulsory Acquisition) Regulations 2010 are not engaged by this change, the Applicant does not view there to be a requirement to consult on the proposed change and that consideration of this change can be dealt with through the Examination and that comments on the changes by any Interested Party can be sufficiently accommodated within the Examination timetable.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely



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