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Dear Mr Bulman

**Hinkley Point C and Associated Development.**

Thank you for your letter of 25 September 2010, making representations regarding the above proposal.

I have read your comments regarding the merits of the proposed development, and the impacts you feel it will have upon the village of Combwich. As the organisation which will consider any application, we cannot at this stage express any views on the merits of the case. If the application is accepted for examination, then there will be an opportunity for interested parties to engage in the process. This will be a public process to which all parties will have an opportunity to contribute.

I also note your view that the consultation being conducted by EDF is inadequate. When an application is submitted, the Commissioner(s) will decide whether EDF has met its statutory duty to consult effectively with the local community. A copy of your correspondence will be placed on our file and seen by the Commissioner(s) before that decision is made.

If you would like your views considered at this pre-application stage you may wish to make them known to EDF Energy directly, and also let your local authority know. The local authority will be asked for their views on how effective EDF's consultation has been at the time the application is submitted to us. We are happy to be copied into any correspondence of this nature.

Yours sincerely

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