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Dear Sir/Madam

Hinkley Point C and Associated Development.

Thank you for your letter of 19 August 2010, which I am replying to on behalf of my colleague Mark Wilson.

The Planning Act 2008 states that the IPC cannot comment on the merits of the proposal. These are likely to be the subject of an examination into any application, if it is submitted to the IPC. If and when an application is accepted, you will have an opportunity to register to take part in the examination. Publicity in the local and national press and on site notices at that time will explain how you can register to become an interested party by making a relevant representation.

It is advisable for your views on the proposal at this stage to be made known to EDF Energy directly and also to let your local authority know. The local authority will be asked for their view on how effective National Grid's consultation has been at the time the application is submitted to us.

Yours sincerely

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