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Dear Sirs,

Re: Examination of Wylfa Newydd proposed Site Preparation and Clearance (SPC) Works under the DCO

I write to ask the Examining Authority to strike out from the proposed Development Consent Order (DCO) all aspects of SPC works currently being examined under the Planning Act 2008, in Application EN010007 for a Grant of DCO for Wylfa Newydd Nuclear Power Station.

According to the Welsh Government, Horizon withdrew on 5 February 2019 the SPC Planning Application 38C310F/EIA/ECON. The Planning Application was Called In by the Welsh Government on 13 December 2018, for full and proper independent investigation under devolved Welsh Public Local Planning Inquiry system.

It is not unusual for developers to withdraw Planning Applications in the run up to a Planning decision, because the developer is either no longer proceeding with the proposed development or is having a rethink about a different or revised development proposal for the same site.

Surely, the Wylfa Newydd DCO Examining Authority cannot now continue examining the existing DCO SPC proposals which are in essence the same as the Planning Application SPC proposals cancelled by Horizon on 5 February 2019.

1. Therefore, will the Examining Authority now eject the existing SPC Work proposals from the Wylfa Newydd DCO, as these SPC Works are essentially the same as the SPC proposals already cancelled by Horizon under the Called In Planning Application?
2. Will the Examining Authority also confirm it will from now on only examine significantly revised or different SPC proposals from Horizon under the DCO?

In the public mind, continuing with the status quo under the DCO means the Examining Authority is siding with Horizon in normalising abuse of the planning system in Wales by the nuclear Developer. The Examining Authority will also be giving credence to Horizon's disrespect for the proper democratic functioning of devolution in Wales. The nuclear Developer unashamedly seeks to sneak in the cancelled SPC proposals under the cover of a DCO instead. Will the DCO Examining Authority remain complicit?

Yours sincerely,

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