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Secretary of State for Energy Security
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Dear Sir / Madam

23 April 2026

THE SIZEWELL C (NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION) ORDER 2022 (S.I. 2022/853)

Proposed application for a non-material change under Section 153 of the Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Changes to, and Revocation of, Development Consent Orders) Regulations 2011 ("The 2011 Regulations")

Request for consent under Regulation 7(3) of the 2011 Regulations

Sizewell C Limited ("**SZC Ltd**") is preparing to submit an application for a non-material change ("**NMC1**") to the Sizewell C (Nuclear Generating Station) Order 2022 ("**the Order**") under section 153 of the Planning Act 2008 and the 2011 Regulations.

Regulation 7(1) and (2) of the 2011 Regulations require the applicant to consult all persons notified under section 56 of the Planning Act 2008 at the time the original DCO application was accepted, as well as any person who may be directly affected by the proposed change.

Regulation 7(3), however, provides that the Secretary of State may, on written request, consent to consultation being carried out with a reduced and targeted consultee list, where appropriate given the nature of the proposed change. This letter requests the Secretary of State's consent to a reduced consultee list for the reasons set out below.

Proposed Non-Material Change

NMC1 comprises a focussed package of eight minor, technical or clarificatory amendments to the Order. In summary, the proposed changes seek to:

- enable the use of part of the Land East of Eastlands Industrial Estate ("**LEEIE**") as an Integrated Reinforcement Yard instead of serviced caravan pitches ("**Change 1**");
- enable the simultaneous use of rail facilities at the LEEIE and the Temporary Construction Area ("**TCA**") ("**Change 2**");
- enable greater flexibility in the precise siting of the Intermediate Level Waste Store within the MDS, and make updates to the MDS Operational Parameter Plan ("**Change 3**");
- amend Public Rights of Way associated with the Sizewell Link Road, the Two Village Bypass and the Main Development Site ("**Change 4**");
- clarify that discharging authorities can exercise their existing power to approve a departure from a certified control document under certain requirements in the Order by approving an updated version of the control document ("**Change 5**");

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- refine the power for Traffic Regulation Orders ("**Change 6**");
- ensure that variations to the DML to amend the location of works in the marine environment take effect without also needing an additional application to the Secretary of State to amend the Order ("**Change 7**"); and
- correct minor drafting errors in the Order that have been identified subsequently to its grant ("**Change 8**").

Further details on the proposed changes are set out in the document enclosed with this letter.

The proposed changes are limited in scope, do not extend the Order limits, do not require additional compulsory acquisition of land or rights, and do not alter the fundamental nature of the authorised development.

An Environmental Compliance Report will accompany the application. The Compliance Report confirms that, when considered individually and in combination, the proposed changes do not give rise to any new or materially different likely significant environmental effects compared with those reported in the Environmental Statement relied upon by the Secretary of State in making the Order. It further confirms that the proposed changes do not affect the conclusions of the Habitats Regulations Assessment undertaken by the Secretary of State and that no new or updated Environmental Statement or Habitats Regulations Assessment is required. The proposed changes will not materially affect local residents, businesses or third-party land interests.

Proposed Consultees

Given the limited, technical and/or clarificatory nature of NMC1, SZC Ltd considers that consultation is only required with those bodies whose statutory, regulatory, operational or land-interest functions relate directly to one or more of the proposed changes.

SZC Ltd therefore requests consent under Regulation 7(3) of the 2011 Regulations to consult only the following organisations:

- East Suffolk Council: host local planning authority for the Main Development Site and associated development.
- EDF Energy Nuclear Generation Limited (Sizewell B): operator of the adjacent Sizewell B power station, with an operational interest in construction activities and changes within the vicinity of the licensed nuclear site.
- Environment Agency: in light of its statutory responsibilities for environmental protection, including water, land and pollution control matters potentially relevant to construction changes.
- Health and Safety Executive (HSE): given its role in regulating health and safety matters associated with large-scale construction activity.
- Historic England: as the statutory consultee for the historic environment, with an interest in ensuring that changes do not give rise to unacceptable impacts on designated or non-designated heritage assets.
- Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council: as the relevant local town council representing the community closest to the Main Development Site and associated development.
- Marine Management Organisation (MMO): as the regulator responsible for the Deemed Marine Licence and any variations to marine works authorised under the Order.

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- Natural England: in its capacity as statutory nature conservation adviser, including in relation to designated sites within the National Site Network and Ramsar sites.
- Network Rail: given its operational responsibilities for the rail network and the proposed change to the continued and simultaneous use of rail facilities associated with the authorised development.
- Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR): as the statutory regulator for nuclear safety and security matters relevant to construction and operational activities at Sizewell C.
- UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA): in light of its public health advisory role, including consideration of potential population health effects associated with construction activity.
- Suffolk Coast & Heaths AONB Partnership: as the body responsible for the management of the Suffolk Coast & Heaths National Landscape, within which parts of the authorised development are located.
- Suffolk County Council: as the local highway authority, with specific responsibilities relevant to Traffic Regulation Orders, Public Rights of Way and highway management.
- The Crown Estate: as the owner of the seabed and a party with interests potentially affected by marine works regulated through the Deemed Marine Licence.

Each of the above bodies has a defined regulatory, environmental, operational or land-interest role directly relevant to one or more of the proposed changes. No other parties are directly affected by NMC1.

SZC Ltd considers that this reduced and targeted consultee list is appropriate and proportionate, and consistent with the approach envisaged by Regulation 7(3) of the 2011 Regulations.

SZC Ltd therefore respectfully requests the Secretary of State's written confirmation that consultation for NMC1 may be carried out only with the consultees listed above, rather than the full section 56 consultee list.

SZC Ltd would welcome confirmation of the Secretary of State's agreement at the earliest opportunity so that consultation may proceed in accordance with Regulations 6 and 7 of the 2011 Regulations.

Yours faithfully,

Sizewell C Limited

Enclosures:

1. Summary of Proposed Non-Material Changes (NMC1)