
To: Uniper UK Limited
Natural England

Our Ref: EN010038

18 December 2025

Dear Sir or Madam,

Planning Act 2008 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010

Application by Uniper UK Limited (“the Applicant”) for a non-material change to Development Consent Order (“the Order”) (SI 2014/2434)

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

1. Ove Arup and Partners Ltd, on behalf of the Applicant, submitted an application for a non-material change to Development Consent Order (‘the Order’) (SI 2014/2434) (which was subject to a correction order dated 26 October 2015 (SI 2015/1829) and an Amendment Order in 2021 (S.I. 2021/1055)). A consultation on this application ran from 6 August 2025 to 5 September 2025.
2. There are issues on which the Secretary of State would be grateful if the Applicant and Natural England could provide updates or information as appropriate.

Cumulative Assessment

3. The Applicant is requested to provide an update to their additional environmental information within their application document to include the Carbon Capture Readiness (CCR) in their cumulative assessment. The Secretary of State notes that an application for permission under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the construction and operation of a low-carbon hydrogen production facility (the CCR development; application reference PA/2025/1146) was validated by North Lincolnshire Council on 6 October 2025. So far as reasonably possible, the cumulative assessment should align with the approach used for the CCR planning application, or any differences should be clearly explained and justified.

Air Quality Assessment

4. The **Applicant** is requested to update the air quality assessment in the Application Document to include a cumulative assessment with the CCR or justification as to why this has been excluded.
5. Clarification is required from the **Applicant** on the numbers used in the air quality assessment section of the Application Document, as they do not align with what was submitted during the 2021 NMC. It would be helpful if this was presented as a comparison table setting out the key parameters across the original application, the 2021 NMC and the proposed change.
6. The **Applicant** is requested to clarify if the volume of emissions in the air quality assessment is now greater than the worst-case scenario outlined in the original Environmental Statement and Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA).

Habitats Regulations Assessment

7. The Applicant is requested to outline their considerations of the HRA, particularly the in-combination assessments for Likely Significant Affects and the Appropriate Assessment now that the new CCR application has been put forward for a scoping response.

Natural England

8. The Secretary of State notes that Natural England did not respond to the consultation which ran between 8 August 2025 and 5 September 2025. **Natural England** is now requested to provide a response on this NMC application. The Application and its accompanying documents, plans and drawings can be viewed on the Planning Inspectorate's National Infrastructure Planning website at:
<https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010038>.

DEADLINE FOR RESPONSE

9. The deadline for response is **23:59 on 15 January 2026**.
10. Responses should be submitted **by email only** to NorthKillingholme@planninginspectorate.gov.uk.
11. Responses will be published on the North Killingholme Power Project project page of the National Infrastructure Planning website as soon as possible after **15 January 2026**:
<https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010038>
12. This letter is without prejudice to the Secretary of State's consideration of whether to grant or withhold development consent for the Proposed Development or any part of the project. Nothing in this letter is to be taken to imply what the eventual decision might be or what final conclusions the Secretary of State may reach on any particular issue which is relevant to the determination of the application.

Yours faithfully,

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Head of Energy Infrastructure Planning

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