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Dear Mr Wheadon,

THE NET ZERO TEESSIDE ORDER 2024 (S.I. 2024 NO. 174) (THE 'ORDER')

PROPOSED APPLICATION FOR A NON-MATERIAL CHANGE IN RESPECT OF SCHEDULE 15 'DESIGN PARAMETERS' OF THE ORDER

LAND AT AND IN THE VICINITY OF THE FORMER REDCAR STEEL WORKS SITE (TEESWORKS SITE), REDCAR AND IN STOCKTON-ON-TEES

THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (CHANGES TO, AND REVOCATION OF, DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDERS) REGULATIONS 2011 – REGULATION 7(3) REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE CONSULTEE LIST

I write on behalf of Net Zero Teesside Power Limited and Net Zero North Sea Storage Limited, together the 'Applicants', in accordance with 'The Planning Act 2008' (the 'PA 2008') and 'The Infrastructure Planning (Changes to, and Revocation of, Development Consent Orders) Regulations 2011' (the '2011 Regulations') in respect of 'The Net Zero Teesside Order 2024' (S.I. 2024 No. 174) (the 'Order').

The Order granted consent for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Net Zero Teesside Project ('NZZ' or 'the Project'), including associated development on land at and in the vicinity of the former Redcar Steel Works site, Redcar and in Stockton-on-Tees, on Teesside (the 'Site'). The former Steel Works site, along with other land required for the Proposed Development, lies within the boundary of the land controlled by the South Tees Development Corporation ('STDC'), which is now known as 'Teesworks'.

A request for a Correction Order was issued by the Applicants to DESNZ in respect of the Order on 27 March 2024, seeking to correct minor drafting and typographical errors. The requested corrections were made to the Order on 20 December 2024, with the Correction Order coming into force on 21 December 2024.

The Order was subject to a previous non-material change on 21 March 2025 ('NMC 1'), resulting in 'The Net Zero Teesside (Amendment) Order 2025' S.I. 2025 No. 1143 (the 'Amendment Order') coming into force on 29 October 2025. NMC 1 authorised changes to Schedule 1 'Authorised Development' and Schedule 2 Requirement 4 'Work No. 3 Details'. Therefore, this NMC application will hereafter be referred to as the 'NMC 2 Application'.

Copies of the Order, the Correction Order and the Amendment Order accompany this letter.

The NMC 2 Application proposes the following dimension changes (the 'Proposed Changes') to 'Schedule 15 – Design Parameters' of the Order:

- The 'heat recovery steam generator building stack' (inner diameter) will be 9.0 metres ('m') wide, compared to 6.5 m in the Order; and
- The 'absorber stack' (inner diameter) will 7.0 m wide, compared to 6.6 m in the Order.

All other maximum dimensions for key buildings and structures found within Schedule 15 'Design Parameters' of the Order and will remain the same.

These are minor changes within the context of the overall consented NZT Project, as explained within the 'Application Scope Letter' dated 19 December 2025, which has also been submitted to DESNZ. It should be noted that no additional compulsory acquisition powers are sought as part of the NMC 2 Application. Further details of the Proposed Changes and the rationale for seeking them are provided within the Application Scope Letter.

In accordance with Regulation 7(3) of the 2011 Regulations, the Applicants are seeking the consent of the Secretary of State for a more focused and targeted consultation for the proposed NMC 2 Application. This is due to the Proposed Changes being limited in nature and not resulting in new or different significant environmental effects or having any implications in terms of the Habitats Regulations or for the compulsory acquisition of land. Furthermore, the Proposed Changes will not impact on local residents or businesses (the Applicants will consult with the relevant landowners). It is not therefore considered necessary to consult all those who were informed of, or involved in, the DCO application process.

Details of the consultees that the Applicants propose to consult with on the NMC 2 Application are provided in the 'Consultee List' accompanying this letter. The list includes those persons notified of the acceptance of the DCO application pursuant to Section 56 of the PA 2008 and confirms whether they submitted a relevant or written representation during the Examination. Those persons that the Applicants are proposing to consult are unshaded and include the relevant local authorities, the Environment Agency, Natural England and affected landowners. Those persons who it is not proposed to consult are shaded grey.

In addition, formal public consultation will also be undertaken, with a notice of the NMC 2 Application being published in accordance with Regulation 6 of the 2011 Regulations. This notice will be published for two consecutive weeks in the following publications:

- The Teesside Gazette
- The Darlington and Stockton Times
- Northern Echo

Given the nature and location of the Proposed Changes, and specifically that they are not within or close to the marine area, the Applicants do not intend to publish the notice in marine-related publications.

The Applicants intend to submit the NMC 2 Application in late March 2026 and therefore would be grateful if you could confirm if the proposed consultees and publication proposals outlined above are acceptable by **15 January 2026**.

Yours sincerely,



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Consultee List