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Dear Sir

Reference to the request below

**SUNNICA ENERGY FARM ORDER 2024 – NON-MATERIAL CHANGE APPLICATION  
SECTION 153 OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008 AND REGULATION 7 OF THE  
INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (CHANGES TO, AND REVOCATION OF,  
DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDERS) REGULATIONS 2011**

The Sunnica Energy Farm was classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP). “NSIPs are major developments which require planning permission to be granted by the relevant Secretary of State through a Development Consent Order (DCO). This is a process established by the Planning Act 2008.”

The reason why I raise this issue is because Sunnica have already requested an amendment to the DCO in their booklet of Consultation on proposed Changes 6 June to 6 July 2022.

This booklet outlined the reasons as to why Sunnica needed to change their DCO Application relating to their grid connection options. Three options were proposed.

Sunnica are now yet again requesting “extending the Order limits to include additional land at the Burwell National Grid Substation (“Existing Substation”) to facilitate the re-location of the cabling connecting the Sunnica Energy Farm to the Existing Substation”.

The above change is in effect an application to extend the Order limits thereby extending the scheme boundary to allow Sunnica to potentially connect to the grid station at Burwell in an alternative way than last proposed.

Sunnica’s proposal that “The change to the Order that comprises the NMC (Non Material Change ) is simply to amend the references to the corresponding plans and documents in Schedule 10 (Documents and plans to be certified) of the Order.”

Whilst Sunnica propose that their NMC is purely an amendment to an already established plan it is yet another change to the DCO which continues to undermine the integrity of the NSIP and DCO.

I find it difficult that during the Consultation for the proposed Sunnica Energy Farm

communities were governed by the protocol of the NSIP and DCO and yet still, Sunnica insist on challenging the DCO.

Based on the above Sunnica should be denied the option of “extending the Order limits to include additional land at the Burwell National Grid Substation (“Existing Substation”) to facilitate the re-location of the cabling connecting the Sunnica Energy Farm to the Existing Substation.”

Regards

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