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By email: LongfieldSolarFarm@planninginspectorate.gov.uk

Dear Sir or Madam

Re: Non-Material Change to the Longfield Solar Farm Order 2023 (SI 2023/734) as corrected by the Longfield Solar Farm (Correction) Order 2023 (SI 2023/1241) - Planning Act 2008

Reference: EN010118

Our Client: Northumbrian Water Limited (trading as "Essex & Suffolk Water")

We are instructed by our client Northumbrian Water Limited ("NWL") (who also operate under the trading name "Essex and Suffolk Water") in relation to an application to make a non-material change to the Longfield Solar Farm Order 2023 (as corrected by the Longfield Solar Farm (Correction) Order 2023) (the "Order") under the Planning Act 2008 (the "NMC Application") submitted by Longfield Solar Energy Farm Limited (Company Number 11618210) of registered office Alexander House, 1 Mandarin Road, Rainton Bridge Business Park, Houghton Le Spring, Sunderland, England, DH4 5RA ("the Applicant")

NWL are landowner, statutory undertaker and a Statutory Party for the purposes of The Infrastructure Planning (Interested Parties and Miscellaneous Prescribed Provisions) Regulations 2015 and to the extent that it may be relevant (and for the avoidance of doubt), NWL hereby give notice that it wishes to be considered an Interested Party for the purposes of this matter pursuant to Section 89(2A)(b) of the Planning Act 2008.

At present, no protective provisions and/or asset protection agreements have been agreed between the Applicant and NWL regarding the changes that are proposed, and as such NWL cannot confirm that it will not suffer serious detriment to the carrying on of its undertaking as a result of the NMC Application. In particular, and without prejudice to further issues our client may raise in subsequent correspondence, we are instructed that the Applicant has yet to confirm and share information affecting our client's assets regarding the heat dissipation calculations and further construction details associated with the second 400 kilovolt cable circuit that is proposed by the Applicant as part of the NMC Application

As a result of the matters set out above, NWL must at this stage register its objection to the NMC Application pending the conclusion of the assessments set out above and, if necessary, the agreement of suitable protective provisions and/or asset protection agreements as they relate to such and other details pertaining to the NMC Application as it impacts on our client's assets and operational requirements.

Yours faithfully

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