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For the attention of Rt Hon Ed Miliband MP

Dear Secretary of State

The Rivenhall Generating Station Extension Order 2024 – Application for a non-material change

Request for written consent for a reduced consultee list under Regulation 7(3) of the Infrastructure Planning (Changes to, and Revocation of, Development Consent Orders) Regulations 2011

I write as the agent for Indaver Rivenhall Limited ('Indaver' or 'the Applicant') regarding The Rivenhall Generating Station Extension Order 2024 ('the Order') that was made on 19 December 2024, as corrected by The Rivenhall Generating Station Extension (Correction) Order 2025 made on 8 April 2025.

Indaver propose a non-material change to the Order, made under section 153 and paragraph 2 of Schedule 6 to the Planning Act 2008 (as amended) ('the 2008 Act').

## **Proposed changes**

The proposed changes seek to make amends to Article 2(1) of the Order as follows:

- a. omission of the definition of "approved variation"; and
- b. amendment of the definition of "TPCA permission" to the following:

### "TCPA permission" means—

- a. the planning permission granted by Essex County Council with reference ESS/39/23/BTE dated 26 January 2024; or
- b. any planning permission granted by the relevant planning authority pursuant to planning application ESS/02/22/BTE,





and any other <del>approved variation</del> <u>variations thereto whether granted before or after the date</u> of this Order (which shall include for the avoidance of doubt any variations pursuant to Section 73 of the 1990 Act and any non-material amendments under Section 96A of the 1990 Act).

### **Justification**

The definition of "approved variation" which this Application is seeking to omit from the Order was introduced into the made Order at the decision stage by the Secretary of State without any discussion with the Applicant or any other party to the examination. It did not form part of the draft Order recommended by the Examining Authority. Similarly, the definition of "TCPA permission" that the Applicant requests in this Application be included in the Order formed part of the draft Order recommended by the Examining Authority.

The Applicant considers that amendments to the definitions in the Order are required to reflect the context of the authorised development and to prevent an unnecessary duplication of assessment and consenting.

As drafted in the made Order, the definition of "approved variation" would require the Applicant to obtain both the consent of the local planning authority (for example through a section 73 permission) and the consent of the Secretary of State (through a change to the Order) prior to making any changes at the wider site. This would be the case even where the changes made in the variation related to other elements of the development of the wider site and did not concern the NSIP (being the internal valve and the increase in generating capacity). This would lead to a duplication of control that is unnecessary.

The Covering Letter submitted with the non-material change application will contain full justification for the proposed changes and reasoning for their non-materiality.

#### **Reduced consultee list**

As can be seen from the above, the changes are purely procedural and do not affect the workings of the IWMF. There would be no changes to the environmental effects arising from the operation of the Consented Development. Given the narrow scope of the changes, we request agreement that when submitting the application we may only formally consult Essex County Council and Braintree District Council (these being the host authorities and the only parties that would in reality be affected by the changes). This matter has been discussed with ECC and BDC already who understand the context. No other parties would be prejudiced, as they would be consulted on the substance of any variations to the TCPA permission as proposed to ECC. The reduced consultee list would ensure that the Secretary of State only receives consultation responses that would be material to the consideration of the application.

The full list of consultees consulted as part of the original DCO application is contained in **Appendix** 1 of this letter.



# **Summary**

Indaver Rivenhall Limited are requesting the written consent of the Secretary of State to consult only Essex County Council and Braintree District Council about the proposed non-material change to the Order. These are the only parties that would be affected by the change, and for this reason the narrowed list of consultees is justified and reflects the nature and scope of the application.

I look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible. Should you have any questions or require further information, please let me know.

Yours sincerely



Gregory Blaxland
Associate Director

enc. Appendix 1 – List of parties consulted on the original application

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Description	PA2008	Prescribed consultee
	Section	
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Braintree District Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Essex County Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Colchester Borough Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Maldon District Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Chelmsford District Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Uttlesford District Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	South Cambridgeshire District Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	West Suffolk Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Babergh District Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Medway Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Kent County Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Suffolk County Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Cambridgeshire County Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Hertfordshire County Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Southend-on-Sea City Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Thurrock Council
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	London Borough of Havering
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	London Borough of Redbridge
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	London Borough of Waltham Forest
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	London Borough of Enfield
Local Authority	42(1)(b)	Greater London Authority
The Health and Safety Executive	42(1)(a)	The Health and Safety Executive
The relevant Strategic Health Authority	42(1)(a)	The National Health Service Commissioning
		Board
Natural England	42(1)(a)	Natural England
The Historic Buildings and Monuments	42(1)(a)	The Historic Buildings and Monuments
Commission for England		Commission for England
The relevant fire and rescue authority	42(1)(a)	Essex County Fires and Rescue Service
The relevant police authority	42(1)(a)	Essex Police
The relevant parish council	42(1)(a)	Kelvedon Parish Council
The relevant parish council	42(1)(a)	Silver End Parish Council
The relevant parish council	42(1)(a)	Rivenhall Parish Council
The relevant parish council	42(1)(a)	Feering Parish Council
The relevant parish council	42(1)(a)	Coggeshall Parish Council
The relevant parish council	42(1)(a)	Bradwell with Pattiswick Parish Council
The relevant parish council	42(1)(a)	Great Braxted Parish Council
The relevant parish council	42(1)(a)	Messing-cum-Inworth Parish Council
The Environment Agency	42(1)(a)	The Environment Agency



The Equality and Human Rights	42(1)(a)	The Equality and Human Rights Commission
Commission		
The Gas and Electricity Markets Authority	42(1)(a)	Ofgem
The relevant waste regulation authority	42(1)(a)	Essex County Council
The Health Protection Agency	42(1)(a)	Public Health England, an executive agency of the Department of Health
The local resilience forum	42(1)(a)	Essex Resilience Forum
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	National Grid / National Grid Electricity
•		Transmission Plc
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	UK Power Networks
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Eclipse Power Network Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Energetics Gas Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Energy Assets Pipelines Ltd
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Energy Assets Networks Limited / Energy Assets Power Networks Ltd
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	ESP Connections Ltd
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	ESP Pipelines Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	ESP Networks Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	ESP Electricity Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Fulcrum Pipelines Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Fulcrum Electricity Assets Ltd
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Harlaxton Gas Networks Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	GTC Pipelines Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Independent Pipelines Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Indigo Pipelines Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Murphy Gas Networks Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	National Grid Gas PLC
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Scotland Gas Networks PLC
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Southern Gas Networks (SGN) PLC
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Bradwell Power Generation Company Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Eclipse Power Networks Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Last Mile Gas Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Last Mile Electricity Limited
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Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Independent Power Networks Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	The Electricity Network Company Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Quadrant Pipelines Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Leep Electricity Networks Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Murphy Power Distribution



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Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	UK Power Distribution Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Utility Assets Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Vattenfall Networks Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	UK Power Networks Limited
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	National Grid Electricity Transmission PLC
Relevant statutory undertakers	42(1)(a)	Instalcom UK Limited