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Dear Sir / Madam,

REF: Helios Renewable Energy Project EN010140

PLANNING ACT 2008 (AS AMENDED) – DEADLINE 4 SUBMISSION BY THE APPLICANT

On 11 December 2024, the Examining Authority (“ExA”) issued a letter under Section 89 of the Planning Act 2008 and Rules 8 and 9 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (“the Rule 8 letter”) which confirmed the Examination timetable and procedure relating to the Helios Renewable Energy Project Development Consent Order (DCO) application. The Rule 8 letter set out the submissions required by the ExA to be provided for each Deadline of the Examination and this letter provides the Applicant’s submissions accordingly in relation to Deadline 4. Appendix A to this letter sets out the current status of each of the documents requested by the ExA in Annex A of the Rule 8 Letter and Annex F Section 6 of the Rule 6 Letter.

On 7 February 2025, the ExA issued a letter under Rules 8(3), Rule 9, Rule 13 and Rule 16 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended) (“the Rule 8(3), Rule 9, Rule 13 and Rule 16 letter”) which provided notification that the ExA has made a Procedural Decision to vary the Examination Timetable in relation to the publication of and deadline for responses to the first written questions (“ExQ1”). The varied timetable removed the publication of ExQ1, which was previously scheduled for Thursday 6 February 2025, and removed the Responses to the ExA’s First Written Questions (ExQ1) from the Deadline 4 submissions list.

The Applicant’s submissions to the Examination for Deadline 4 comprise:

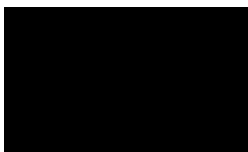
- Updated Guide to the Application (1.4.1);
- The Applicant’s Hearing Action Points Update (8.5);
- Draft Statement of Common Ground with the Environment Agency (8.1.1);
- Draft Statement of Common Ground with Natural England (8.1.2);
- Appendix B: Natural England Supplementary Note (8.1.2.2);
- Draft Statement of Common Ground with North Yorkshire Council (8.1.3);
- Draft Statement of Common Ground with Historic England (8.1.4);
- Statement of Commonality (8.1.11);



- Environmental Statement Appendix 8.9: Information to inform a Habitats Regulation Assessment (6.3.8.9);
- Flood Risk Assessment (7.5);
- Water Environment Supplementary Assessment (8.9);
- Environmental Statement Appendix 7.9: Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (6.3.7.9);
- Environmental Statement Appendix 5.1: Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan (6.3.5.1);
- Environmental Statement Appendix 5.2: Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan (6.3.5.2);
- Environmental Statement Appendix 3.1: Battery Safety Management Plan (6.3.3.1);
- Draft Development Consent Order (3.1);
- Draft Development Consent Order – Schedule of Changes (3.1.1);
- Status of Negotiations on Protective Provisions (8.6);
- Book of Reference – Schedule of Changes (4.1.1);
- Statement of Reasons Table 1 (4.2.1);
- Land and Crown Land Plan (2.2);
- High-level Investigative Report (8.2.1); and
- Environmental Statement Appendix 2.5 - Solar Photovoltaic Glint and Glare Study (6.3.2.5).

For each of the amended documents a clean version and a version showing tracked changes made at this Deadline has been submitted so that changes can be easily identified, with the exception of the Land and Crown Land Plan, for which a cover page listing the revisions and a reason for each revision has been provided.

Yours sincerely,



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APPENDIX A: SUBMISSIONS REQUESTED BY THE EXAMINING AUTHORITY

RULE 8 LETTER ANNEX A: DEADLINE 4 SUBMISSIONS

Annex A of the Rule 6 Letter lists the documents to be submitted to the ExA at Deadline 4. The table below sets out the Applicant's current position for each of these items.

Item	Deadline 4 Submission / Nil Return
Responses to the ExA's First Written Questions (ExQ1).	As per the Rule 8(3), Rule 9, Rule 13 and Rule 16 letter, this item has been removed from the D4 submission list.
Comments on any additional information / submissions received by Deadline 3.	The Applicant does not have any comments on the Deadline 3 submissions.
The Applicant's updated documents (see Annex F, section 6 to the Rule 6 Letter (PD-001)).	See table below.
Updated PADS where any substantive changes have been made.	N/A – Interested Party submission.
Any further information requested by ExA.	Water Environment Supplementary Assessment (8.9) The Applicant's Hearing Action Points Update (8.5)

RULE 6 LETTER ANNEX F SECTION 6: APPLICANT'S SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS AT EXAMINATION DEADLINES

Annex F Section 6 of the Rule 6 Letter lists the documents which the Applicant is requested to submit at Examination deadlines as is appropriate, including notification of nil returns if no updates are required at that deadline:

Item	Deadline 4 Submission / Nil Return
A. Updated Guide to the Application	Updated Guide to the Application (1.4.1)
B. Draft Development Consent Order (dDCO) and draft Explanatory Memorandum (dEM)	Draft Development Consent Order (3.1) Draft Development Consent order – Schedule of Changes (3.1.1)
C. Book of Reference (BoR)	Book of Reference – Schedule of Changes (4.1.1)
D. Statement of Commonality	Statement of Commonality (8.1.11)
E. Updated Statements of Common Ground	Draft Statement of Common Ground with the Environment Agency (8.1.1) Draft Statement of Common Ground with Natural England (8.1.2) Appendix B: Natural England Supplementary Note (8.1.2.2) Draft Statement of Common Ground with North Yorkshire Council (8.1.3)

	<p>Draft Statement of Common Ground with Historic England (8.1.4)</p> <p>Further detail on the current position of the SoCGs is provided within the Statement of Commonality.</p>
F. Status of Negotiations / Compulsory Acquisition Schedule	Nil Return – No substantive updates required.
G. Status of Negotiations with Statutory Undertakers	Status of Negotiations on Protective Provisions (8.6)
H. National Policy Statement (NPS) Tracker	Nil Return – No substantive updated required.
I. Consents and Licences Position Statement	Nil Return – No substantive updates required.
J. Any other updated documents or plans where substantive updated have been made since the previous version was submitted.	<p>Environmental Statement Appendix 8.9: Information to inform a Habitats Regulation Assessment (6.3.8.9)</p> <p>Flood Risk Assessment (7.5)</p> <p>Environmental Statement Appendix 7.9: Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (6.3.7.9)</p> <p>Environmental Statement Appendix 5.1: Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan (6.3.5.1)</p> <p>Environmental Statement Appendix 5.2: Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan (6.3.5.2)</p> <p>Environmental Statement Appendix 3.1: Battery Safety Management Plan (6.3.3.1)</p> <p>Statement of Reasons Table 1 (4.2.1)</p> <p>Land and Crown Land Plan (2.2)</p> <p>High-level Investigative Report (8.2.1)</p> <p>Environmental Statement Appendix 2.5 - Solar Photovoltaic Glint and Glare Study (6.3.2.5)</p>