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Dear Sir/Madam

HELIOS SOLAR- ENVIRONMENT AGENCY COMMENT ON THE APPLICANT'S RESPONSE TO THE QUESTIONS FROM DEPT. FOR ENERGY SECURITY AND NET ZERO.

We have reviewed the following regarding national updates to flood risk assessment:

- Request for Information (RfI) made by Department for Energy Security & Net Zero, made to Enso Green holdings D limited ("the Applicant") dated 26/09/2025;
- The Applicant's Response to the Secretary of State's Request for Information dated October 2025. Chapter 11 Flood Risk.

We agree with the Applicant's response to para.22 of the RfI.

The publication of the updated Flood Map for Planning as part of the National Flood Risk Assessment (NaFRA2) in March 2025 does not change the outcomes of the Flood Risk Assessment. The applicant has produced their own site-specific hydraulic modelling of the River Aire and River Ouse which the Environment Agency has reviewed and are satisfied with.

From a surface water flood risk perspective, whilst there have been some changes in the updated Risk of Flooding from Surface Water dataset, the mitigation principles outlined in the Flood Risk Assessment remain valid.

Yours faithfully

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