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Dear Sir/Madam

Springwell Solar Farm – Deadline 2 Submissions

On behalf of Springwell Energyfarm Limited (the 'Applicant') and further to the publication of the **Rule 6 letter** [\[PD-005\]](#) on 9 April 2025 and the **Rule 8 letter** [\[PD-006\]](#) on 13 May 2025, we write to provide the Applicant's written submissions for Deadline 2 of the Springwell Solar Farm Development Consent Order (DCO) Examination.

Submissions made at Deadline 2

Appendix 1 of this letter provides an overview of the documents submitted by the Applicant at this Deadline. Table 1 comprises the application documents for which updated versions are being submitted, and summarises how and why each document has been updated. Each updated document has been submitted with both clean and tracked change versions to aid the Examining Authority (the 'ExA') in identifying the changes made.

Table 2 comprises new documents being submitted which were requested by the ExA in the Rule 8 letter to be provided by the Applicant at Deadline 2. These are provided in response to submissions made at Deadline 1, and following further engagement with Interested Parties. These are included within a new Part 8 – Examination Documents and are also identified in the **Guide to the Application** [\[EN010149/APP/1.2.4\]](#), which sets out the current status of documents.

Revised documents are submitted with both tracked change and clean versions to aid signposting to where changes are made. The exclusions to this are the ES Figures packages (ES Volume 2) and the Plans submitted as Part 2 of the DCO application, where a Revisions Schedule has been provided as part of those documents.

Cumulative Assessment

At Deadline 1, a revised version of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 16: Cumulative Assessment** [\[EN010149/APP/6.1.2\]](#) was submitted at to take account of the Leoda Solar Farm (EN0110016) for which the EIA Scoping Report was submitted in January 2025.

This ES Chapter is being submitted at Deadline 2 to include a full update of the inter-project long and short lists, with an assessment cut-off date of 30 May 2025. The same process will be repeated for Deadline 4, with an assessment cut-off date of 29 August 2025.



Environmental Management Plans

The Applicant has continued to engage with the Ministry of Defence following submission of their Relevant Representation [[RR-278](#)] and has updated the **Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan [EN010149/APP/7.7.3]**, the **Outline Operational Environmental Management Plan [EN010149/APP/7.10/3]** and the **Outline Decommissioning Environmental Management Plan [EN010149/APP/7.13.3]** to each include a new Works Management Plan appendix for submission at Deadline 2. As each of these new appendices contains a plan that remains under discussion between the Applicant and the Ministry of Defence, a Confidential version is submitted alongside clean and tracked versions to provide details of that plan for the ExA.

The **Draft DCO [EN010149/APP/3.1.2]** [[REP1-006](#)] will be updated at Deadline 3 to include these revisions in Schedule 13 – Certified Documents.

Statements of Common Ground ('SoCGs')

The Applicant worked with key stakeholders throughout the pre-submission and pre-examination stages to draft SoCGs, and a summary of the status of discussions was set out in the Statement of Commonality submitted as part of the DCO Application.

The **Rule 8 letter** [[PD-006](#)] requests submissions of SoCGs by the Applicant at Deadlines 2, 3 and 5. The Applicant was able to submit draft SoCGs at an earlier deadline (Deadline 1) to aid the ExA. Updated SoCGs will be submitted at Deadlines 3 and 5 as requested.

We trust this information is useful. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any further details.

Yours sincerely,



Principal Development Manager

On behalf of Springwell Energyfarm Limited

Appendix 1 – List of documents submitted by the Applicant at Deadline 1

Table 1 – Revised Documents

Doc Ref.	Rev No.	Document Name	Reason for Submission
1.2.4	4	Guide to the Application	To provide an up-to-date list of the status of application documents and to identify where any have been superseded.
4.3.3	3	Book of Reference	Updated to demonstrate the ongoing land referencing due diligence, and to show any new legal interests in the order land which have been identified since submission.
4.4.3	3	Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought	Updated to reflect the status of negotiations with Affected Persons.
6.1.3	3	ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 – Cumulative Effects	A full update of the inter-project long and short lists is now included within the cumulative assessment.
6.2.3	3	ES Volume 2, Cumulative Effects Figures 16.1 – 16.8	A full update of the inter-project long and short lists is now included within the cumulative assessment.
6.3.3	3	ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 – Long List of Other Approved and or Existing Developments	A full update of the inter-project long and short lists is now included within the cumulative assessment.
7.7.3	3	Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan	Updated in response to further engagement with the Ministry of Defence and in response to comments raised in Appendix A of North Kesteven District Council's Local Impact Report.
7.10.3	3	Outline Operational Environmental Management Plan	Updated in response to further engagement with the Ministry of Defence, to provide and in response to comments raised in Lincolnshire County Council's Local Impact Report.
3	3	Outline Decommissioning Environmental Management Plan	Updated in response to further engagement with the Ministry of Defence and in response to comments raised in Written Representations.

Table 2 – New Documents

Doc Ref.	Document Name	Reason for Submission
8.20	Response to Deadline 1 Submissions	As requested by the ExA in the Rule 8 letter [PD-006] , this provides the Applicant's response to the Local Impact Reports, Written Representations and other submissions made at Deadline 1.