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Dear Ms Margoum,

BEACON FEN ENERGY PARK

APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT CONSENT UNDER SECTION 37 'APPLICATIONS FOR ORDERS GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT' OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008 FOR A GROUND MOUNTED SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC ELECTRICITY GENERATING FACILITY OF OVER 50MW CAPACITY AND BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM.

LAND 6.5 KM NORTHEAST OF SLEAFORD AND 2.5 KM NORTH OF HECKINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

On 1 October 2025, 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 Beacon Fen Energy Park 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.

This letter sets out the documents that form the Applicant's submission at Deadline 4 of the Examination of the Beacon Fen Energy Park DCO Application. Where the document updates a previously submitted document it is confirmed that a clean and tracked version has been submitted.

Further information on the documents, including their application document reference, statutory requirement, revision number, dates and examination library reference can be found in the updated **Application Guide (Document Ref 1.3)** submitted at Deadline 4 (Revision 7).

The Applicant submits, alongside this letter, the following documents into examination:

Statements of Common Ground

- Document Ref 8.1: Statement of Common Ground with Lincolnshire County Council (Revision 3) (Tracked)
- Document Ref 8.1: Statement of Common Ground with Lincolnshire County Council (Revision 3) (Clean)
- Document Ref 8.2: Statement of Common Ground with North Kesteven District Council (Revision 3) (Tracked)



- Document Ref 8.2: Statement of Common Ground with North Kesteven District Council (Revision 3) (Clean)
- Document Ref 8.3: Statement of Common Ground with Boston Borough Council (Revision 3)
 (Tracked)
- Document Ref 8.3: Statement of Common Ground with Boston Borough Council (Revision 3)
 (Clean)
- Document Ref 8.12: Statement of Common Ground with Ewerby and Evedon Parish Council
- Document Ref 8.16: Statement of Common Ground with Natural England (Revision 1) (Clean)
- Document Ref 8.19: Statement of Commonality (Revision 4) (Tracked)
- Document Ref 8.19: Statement of Commonality (Revision 4) (Clean)

Any other Information submitted by the Applicant

- Document Ref 1.3: Application Guide (Revision 7)
- Document Ref 3.1: Draft Development Consent Order (Revision 4) (Clean)
- Document Ref 3.1: Draft Development Consent Order (Revision 4) (Tracked)
- Document Ref 3.1: Schedule of Changes to the Draft DCO (Revision 4)
- Document Ref 3.2: Explanatory Memorandum (Revision 4) (Clean)
- Document Ref 3.2: Explanatory Memorandum (Revision 4) (Tracked)Document Ref 4.3:
 Book of Reference (Revision 6) (Clean)
- Document Ref 4.3: Book of Reference (Revision 6) (Tracked)
- Document Ref 4.3: Schedule of Changes to Book of Reference (Revision 6)
- Document Ref 4.4: Detailed Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker (Revision 4) PDF)
- Document Ref 4.4: Detailed Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker (Revision 4) (Excel)
- Document Ref 6.3.78: Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan (Revision 2) (Clean)
- Document Ref 6.3.78: Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan (Revision 2) (Tracked)
- Document Ref 9.11: Applicant's Response to Other Parties Deadline 3 Submissions (Revision
 1)
- Document Ref 9.15: Written Summary of ISH2 and response to Action Points (Revision 1)
- Document Ref 9.16: Written Summary of ISH3 and response to Action Points (Revision 1)
- Document Ref 9.17: Written Summary of CAH1 and response to Action Points (Revision 1)

In accordance with the Rule 8 Letter, we note that the ExA expects the Applicant's Updates to be submitted at each Deadline, which includes the Land Plans (Document Ref 2.2), Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker (Document Ref 4.4), Book of Reference (Document Ref 4.3), Draft DCO (Document Ref 3.1) and Explanatory Memorandum (Document Ref 3.2). However, because the Applicant has not made any amendments to the Land Plans (Document Ref 2.2) at this deadline, an updated version of this document has not been submitted at this deadline.

The Applicant most recently submitted updated versions of both the Statement of Reasons and Other Consents and Licences Documents at Deadline 1 and there have subsequently been no further updates. Therefore, the Applicant does not submit an updated version of these documents at this deadline.

The Applicant submitted the following documents between Deadline 3 and Deadline 4:

- Notification of a proposed change to the application (AS-029)
- Voluntary Negotiation Status Plan (AS-030)
- R4 View from Northern Elevation Photomontages (AS-031)
- Constraint Masterplan for Bicker Fen Substation (AS-032)

These have been accepted at ExA's discretion and reflected in the Application Guide submitted at this deadline.

The draft SoCG for Anglian Water, as requested by the ExA, has been provided to Anglian Water and is awaiting comments, and will be submitted at a future deadline (please refer to the Statement of Commonality). An updated version of this document will likely be submitted to the ExA at Deadline 5.

The Applicant has also set out their position on BNG with LCC within the Applicants Response to Other Parties Deadline 3 Submission (Document Reference 9.11). The Applicant's comments were accidentally omitted from the Applicants Comments on Local Impact Report (Document Reference 9.7) at Deadline 2.

We look forward to receiving PINS' confirmation of receipt of this letter and the documents listed above. If you have any questions or clarifications with regards to the documents submitted alongside this letter or other parts of the Application, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

For and on behalf of DWD

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