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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.

The Applicant acknowledges the concerns of the ExA expressed in the third round of written questions published on 26 January 2026, specifically in relation to WFR 3.1 flood risk. The Applicant wishes to assure the ExA that all matters highlighted as outstanding with respect to flood risk in the **Environment Agency's written response to D5 submissions (REP6-044)** have been resolved with the Environment Agency through continued, pro-active consultation. A revision to **Appendix 11.1 Flood Risk Assessment (REP6-029)** was undertaken and issued in draft form to the Environment Agency on 19/01/2026.

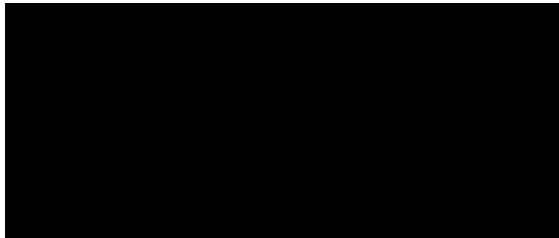
The Environment Agency issued a letter to the Applicant dated 23/01/2026 confirming that following their review of the submitted document the outstanding matters (EA23 and EA29) are considered to be resolved, subject to formal submission of the revised Flood Risk Assessment into Examination. The Environment Agency's letter is enclosed for your reference.

The revised **Appendix 11.1 Flood Risk Assessment (REP6-029)** will be submitted at Deadline 7. For completeness the Applicant also notes that it will update the draft DCO at Deadline 7 to reflect the EA's comments on the flood risk requirement.

We look forward to receiving PINS' confirmation of receipt of this letter. 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,

DWD on behalf of Beacon Fen Energy Park Limited



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Dear [REDACTED]

REVIEW OF DRAFT DOCUMENTS. BEACON FEN ENERGY PARK, LINCOLNSHIRE.

Thank you for consulting the Environment Agency on the latest version of the Flood Risk Assessment for the Beacon Fen Energy Park Project (Document Reference: 6.3 ES Vol.2, 6.3.81 Revision 5.0, February 2026).

We have provided commentary on this document below, making reference to the outstanding issues that were raised as part of our Relevant Representation [\[RR-006\]](#).

EA23 Credible Maximum Scenario and EA29 Flood Risk – Solar Panels

The revisions to the Flood Risk Assessment are sufficient to address our concerns relating to EA23 and EA29. Please note that our position on these matters remains unchanged until the document is submitted into Examination.

Matters Relating to the Draft Development Consent Order

Separate to this, we note that the draft Development Consent Order submitted at Deadline 5 [\[REP5-003\]](#) and [\[REP5-004\]](#) included a new Flood Risk Requirement (Requirement 20).

Requirement 20 currently states:

(3) The authorised development must be carried out and maintained in accordance with the approved strategy.

We request that this be changed to:

(3) Any approved scheme must be implemented as approved and maintained throughout the construction and operation of the authorised development.

Please note that EA34 and EA35 remain outstanding issues as the draft Development Consent Order has yet to be updated to include the Environment Agency as a named consultee on the details submitted to discharge Requirement 7 (Landscape & Ecological Management Plan) and 12 (Construction Environment Management Plan).

We trust this advice is useful.

Yours sincerely

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