

Planning Inspectorate

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Dear Sir/Madam

ENVIRONMENT AGENCY COMMENTS ON DEADLINE 7 SUBMISSIONS. BEACON FEN ENERGY PARK, LINCOLNSHIRE.

We have reviewed the Deadline 7 submissions, in particular:

- Draft Development Consent Order (Revision 8) [[REP7-004](#) and [REP7-005](#)]
- Appendix 11.1 Flood Risk Assessment (Revision 4) [[REP7-026](#) and [REP7-027](#)]

A summary of our latest position is provided in Appendix A to this letter.

EA23 Credible Maximum Scenario and EA29 Flood Risk – Solar Panels

We have reviewed the Flood Risk Assessment (Revision 4) submitted at Deadline 7 [[REP7-026](#) and [REP7-027](#)] and can confirm that the updates are sufficient to address our concerns relating to EA23 and EA29.

EA23 and EA29 are resolved.

Separate to this, we wish to confirm that we are satisfied with the updated wording to Requirement 20 (Flood Risk) of the Draft Development Consent Order (Revision 8) [[REP7-004](#) and [REP7-005](#)].

EA34 Requirement 7 – LEMP and EA35 Requirement 12 – CEMP

The Draft Development Consent Order (Revision 8) submitted at Deadline 7 [[REP7-004](#) and [REP7-005](#)] includes the Environment Agency as a named consultee on the details submitted to discharge Requirement 7 (Landscape & Ecological Management Plan) and 12 (Construction Environmental Management Plan). These updates are sufficient to address our concerns relating to EA34 and EA35.

EA34 and EA35 are resolved.

We trust this advice is useful.

Yours faithfully


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APPENDIX A – SUMMARY OF EA POSITION

Subject	Work package	Scope	Method and Assumptions	Results of Assessment (i.e Impact)	Mitigation / Enhancements Agreed	Requirement	RR ID
Ecology	Biodiversity Net Gain Strategy					8	
	Ecological Assessment					7	EA01, EA02, EA03, EA04, EA05, EA06, EA20
Water Resources	Water Environment Regulations Compliance						EA01, EA02, EA03, EA04, EA05, EA06
	Water Supply Strategy						EA08, EA15
Flood Risk	Flood Risk Assessment						EA01, EA02, EA03, EA21, EA22, EA23, EA24, EA25, EA26, EA27, EA28, EA29, EA30
	Hydraulic Model						EA23, EA26, EA29
Water Quality	Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan					12	
	Decommissioning Environmental Management Plan					18	
	Outline Battery Safety Management Plan					6	EA32
	Foul & Surface Water Drainage					10	EA10, EA33
	Water Environment Regulations Compliance						EA05
Groundwater Protection	Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan					12	EA13, EA14, EA19
	Groundwater Protection						EA09, EA10, EA12, EA13, EA19, EA31, EA32, EA33
	Decommissioning Environmental Management Plan					18	EA17, EA19
Waste	Waste Management Strategy						EA16
Geomorphology	Water Environment Regulations Compliance						EA01, EA02