

Essar Oil (UK) Limited (now known as EET Fuels) confirm that they support the application and the Frodsham Solar project. However, there are the following points that we wish to make for consideration as the project proceeds. Essar Oil operate the nearby Stanlow Refinery and there are existing pipeline assets that cross land within the project extent. These pipelines are of huge significance to the refinery operations and to the wider region through the fuels they provide. Within the draft Development Consent Order there are proposed protective provisions for these essential pipeline assets and Essar require both parties to work reasonably to agree appropriate protections within the finalised wording of the Order.

Additionally, there has been some uncertainty about the precise location of the pipelines and there is a risk that some elements of the current design for the proposed development may encroach into the protective strip above the pipelines. Essar are working to provide updated information to record the location of the pipelines and may require the final design of the development to be amended to account for the pipelines' presence.