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Dear Jake Stephens,

Development Consent for Peartree Hill Solar Farm: EN010157

Applicants' submission - Deadline 4 (31 October 2025)

On 29 July 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 Peartree Hill Solar Farm 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.

The Applicant is making two separate submissions on 31 October 2025:

- Deadline 4 submission (this submission), to accord with the timetable set in the Rule
 8 letter [PD-009]; and
- Change Request 3 Application, to accord with the timetable set by the ExA in its Rule
 9 letter [PD-015] responding to the notice by the Applicant of an intent to submit a request to changes to the application (dated 30 September 2025).

Both submissions are supported by an update to the **Introduction to the Application [EN010157/APP/1.2 Revision 8 and Revision 9** respectively], which sets out which documents have been updated as a result of each submission and provides clarification on document revision numbers.

Note of text to be redacted

Please note that there is text in red (paragraph 2.10.2 and 2.10.3) within Appendix 1 of Summary of Applicant's Oral Submissions at the Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 1

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(CAH1) [EN010157/APP/8.20]. The Applicant requests that this text be redacted prior to this document being uploaded to the Project webpage due to its sensitive nature.

ES Addendum updates

Upon review of the ES Volume 4 documents listed in Table 4-1 of the **ES Addendum [EN010157/APP/8.2 Revision 6]** that have not yet been resubmitted at other deadlines, it is considered unnecessary to resubmit the documents at Deadline 5 with amended figures to reflect the updated Order Limits as this would not affect the results stated in the documents nor the assessments they have informed, particularly where the documents present the results of surveys of the Site at a point in time. Such documents have therefore been deleted from Table 4-1 and the associated row in Table 5-1 of the **ES Addendum [EN010157/APP/8.2 Revision 6]**.

In cases where other more significant amendments necessitated resubmission of documents listed in Table 4-1 at subsequent deadlines, the changes set out in Table 4-1 would already be captured in the resubmitted documents, so they have not been deleted from Table 4-1 and the associated row in Table 5-1. Where pre-construction surveys are required to cover areas that have not previously been surveyed, the relevant ES appendices will be resubmitted at Deadline 5 with explanatory cover letters. These include the following:

- ES Volume 4, Appendix 7.1: PEA Report Figure 2 UKHab CONFIDENTIAL [APP-104]
- ES Volume 4, Appendix 7.1: Preliminary Ecological Appraisal Report [APP-105]
- ES Volume 4, Appendix 7.2: Badger Survey Report (Confidential) [APP-106]

Correction of minor inconsistency

Whilst updating documents for this deadline a minor inconsistency within two documents was identified. The **Design Parameters Document [REP3-018]** and **Environmental Statement (ES) Volume 1, Chapter 3: Proposed Development Description [REP2-075]** both incorrectly stated that there would be 17 Construction Compounds however, as correctly set out in the rest of the DCO Application documents and shown on **ES Volume 3, Figure 3.5: Indicative Construction Layout Plan [REP3-021]**, there are 19 Construction Compounds proposed. The Applicant can confirm that all assessments have been based on 19 Construction Compounds and the inconsistency updates to these two documents would not impact the overall assessment of effects. As such, these two documents have been updated to correct this inconsistency and have been submitted at this deadline.

This letter encloses the Applicant's summary of the submission made at Deadline 4. I would be grateful if you would please acknowledge safe receipt of this letter and the enclosed documents.



Kind regards,



Mike Greslow

Lead DCO Development Project Manager

RWE Solar and Storage UK Ltd



Summary of Deadline 4 Submission

Please find below a list of documents which form the Applicant's submission at Deadline 4 of the Examination of the Peartree Hill Solar Farm DCO Application. Where the document updates a previously submitted document it is confirmed that a clean and tracked version has been submitted.

Response to Deadline 3 submissions and Hearings

- Tree Preservation Order and Hedgerow Plans [EN010157/APP/2.8 Revision 4]
- Design Parameters Document [EN010157/APP/5.8 Revision 5]
- ES Volume 1, Chapter 3: Proposed Development Description [EN010157/APP/6.1 Revision 3]
- ES Volume 2, Chapter 13: Population [EN010157/APP/6.2 Revision 2]
- ES Volume 2, Chapter 14: Transport and Access [EN010157/APP/6.2 Revision 4]
- ES Volume, 3 Figure 3.4: Indicative Environmental Masterplan [EN010157/APP/6.3 Revision 3]
- ES Volume 4, Appendix 7.11: Arboricultural Impact Assessment [EN010157/APP/6.4 Revision 3]
- ES Volume 4, Appendix 14.1: Transport Assessment [EN010157/APP/6.4 Revision 4]
- Commitments Register [EN010157/APP/6.4 Revision 6]
- Outline Construction Management Plan [EN010157/APP/7.2 Revision 6]
- Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision
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- Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan [EN010157/APP/7.7 Revision 5]
- Environmental Statement Addendum [EN010157/APP/8.2 Revision 6]
- Response to Deadline 3 Submissions and other submissions [EN010157/APP/8.18]
- Summary of Applicant's Oral Submissions at the Issue Specific Hearing 1 (ISH1) [EN010157/APP/8.19]
- Summary of Applicant's Oral Submissions at the Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 1
 (CAH 1) [EN010157/APP/8.20]
- Summary of Applicant's Oral Submissions at the Issue Specific Hearing 2 (ISH2) [EN010157/APP/8.21]



<u>NOTE 1</u>: Where a document has been updated as a result of either the responses to submissions made at Deadline 3 or any of the Hearings (held week commencing 20 October 2025), the reasons for this have been identified within the **Response to Deadline 3 submissions** and other submissions [EN010157/APP/8.18] or within one of the Summary of Applicant's oral submissions [EN010157/APP/8.19 to 8.21].

Applicant's updates – refer to Annex E of the Rule 6 letter

Statements of Common Ground (SoCG)

- Statement of Commonality [EN010157/APP/9.1 Revision 4]
- Draft SoCG with East Riding of Yorkshire Council [EN010157/APP/9.2 Revision 4]
- Draft SoCG with the Environmental Agency [EN010157/APP/9.3 Revision 3]
- Draft SoCG with Natural England [EN010157/APP/9.4 Revision 3]
- Draft SoCG with Historic England [EN010157/APP/9.6 Revision 2]
- Draft SoCG with Yorkshire Wildlife Trust [EN010157/APP/9.8 Revision 2]

Updates to the Book of Reference and Statement of Reasons and Land Rights Tracker

- Book of Reference [EN010157/APP/4.2 Revision 8]
- Statement of Reasons Appendix B: Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker
 [EN010157/APP/4.5 Revision 4]

Updates to the Draft Development Consent Order and Explanatory Memorandum

- Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8]
- Explanatory Memorandum [EN010157/APP/3.2 Revision 6]
- Schedule of Changes to the Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/8.1 Revision 7]

The Draft DCO has not been updated as a result of the Change Request Application as there are no substantive changes required. If the Change Request is accepted then the Draft DCO will be submitted at Deadline 5 to reflect the necessary document reference updates to Schedule 14 (documents to be certified).

It is noted that Annex E also requests a copy of the draft Development Consent Order showing tracked changes to the application version. The Applicant is not proposing to submit this comparison version at each deadline and instead proposes to submit a comparison of the draft Development Consent Order against the application version at Deadline 5.



Schedule of the latest versions of the applicant's submission documents and documents to be certified

- Introduction to the Application [EN010157/APP/1.2 Revision 8]

For updated versions of the DCO Application documents being submitted at Deadline 4, the Applicant has applied the Proposed Development's reference system and included the Revision number within this in order to clearly indicate which is the most up to date version of that document. For clarity, where the Applicant has referred to DCO Application documents that have not been updated for this deadline, the Examination Library reference provided by the Planning Inspectorate has been used.

It is considered that this **Cover Letter** along with the **ES Addendum [EN010157/APP/8.2 Revision 6]** provides the necessary detail on the purpose of new documents and plans and also the reasons for changes to any document or plan included in each update. As such. It is not proposed to produce a 'Schedule of New and Updated Document and Plan Updates' at each deadline.

It is noted that Annex E also requests a copy of any updated documents or plans that are to be certified showing tracked changes to the application version. The Applicant is not proposing to submit this comparison version at each deadline and instead will submit a comparison of each relevant amended document against the application version at Deadline 5.

Schedule of progress in securing other consents

As there has been no change to the information included within the **Other Consents or Licenses document [APP-151]** for Deadline 4, an updated version of this document has not been submitted.

Additional Submissions

The following documents are also submitted to the Examining Authority at Deadline 4:

- Cover letter (this letter)