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Dear Jake Stephens,

Development Consent for Peartree Hill Solar Farm: EN010157

Applicants' submission – Additional Submission (6 January 2026)

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.

On 5 November 2025 the ExA made the procedural decision to vary the examination timetable and extended the Close of examination from Monday 22 December 2025 to Tuesday 6 January 2026.

Following receipt of Deadline 6 submissions on Friday 19 December 2025, and prior to the close of examination, the Applicant considered that it would be helpful to provide an additional submission to the ExA to respond where new information / evidence that has not been the subject of written or oral responses was provided. The Applicant has not responded to submissions which it does not consider provides new information. However, the Applicant would note that, in relation to the points raised by Albanwise in its closing summary statement [REP6-053] regarding Requirement 16 [pp7-10], as reported by the Applicant at Deadline 6 [REP6-036], agreement on the drafting of Requirement 16 has been reached with Albanwise.

I would be grateful if you would please acknowledge safe receipt of this letter and the enclosed documents.

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Kind regards,



Mike Greslow

Lead DCO Development Project Manager

RWE Solar and Storage UK Ltd

Summary of Additional Submission: 6 January 2026

Please find below a list of documents which form the Applicant's submission at 6 January 2026. Where the document updates a previously submitted document it is confirmed that a clean and tracked version has been submitted.

Response to Deadline 6 submissions

- Outline Battery Safety Management Plan [EN010157/APP/7.6 Revision 4]
- Response to Deadline 6 Submissions [EN010157/APP/8.33]

NOTE: In response to the Environment Agency's Deadline 6 Submission **[REP6-046]** and engagement over the course of Examination, the Applicant has incorporated additional commitments in the Outline Battery Safety Management Plan in accordance with the recommendations in Appendix 2 of **REP6-046**. These commitments provide further clarification and certainty around maintenance and operational aspects of the proposed penstock valves, sampling and testing methodologies (in the highly unlikely event of a fire at a hybrid compound) and details of where any drainage system would discharge to a watercourse. The Applicant considers that the inclusion of these additional commitments, as requested by the Environment Agency, negates the need for any amendments to the existing drafting of Requirement 8 of the **draft Development Consent Order [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 11]**.

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

Updates to the Draft Development Consent Order and Comparison Document

- Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 11]
- Comparison draft DCO against submission version [EN010157/APP/3.3 Revision 2]
- Schedule of Changes to the Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/8.1 Revision 10]
- Validation Report

Annex E of the Rule 6 Letter [PD-006] requests a comparison version of the draft Development Consent Order showing tracked changes to the application version. The Applicant has provided an updated version of this comparison at this submission to show the further minor changes that are required as a result of the new version of the Outline Battery Safety Management Plan in the certified documents schedule.

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 15]

NOTE: For updated versions of the DCO Application documents being submitted, 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.

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]**, an updated version of this document has not been submitted.

Additional Submissions

The following documents are also submitted to the Examining Authority:

- **Cover letter** (this letter)