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Dear [REDACTED]

**Application by Rosefield Energyfarm Limited: Rosefield Solar Farm
(Application Reference: EN010158)**

Rule 17 – Request for further information

On behalf of Rosefield Energyfarm Limited (the 'Applicant'), we write to provide the information requested by the Examining Authority in the Rule 17 letter dated 21 August 2026 [[PD-020](#)] of the Rosefield Solar Farm Development Consent Order (DCO) Examination.

The letter requested the Applicant submits option agreements between itself and the Claydon Estate, including those from November 2022 and July 2025, with any necessary redactions to address commercially sensitive information.

The Applicant therefore hereby encloses:

- **Option for Lease Agreement, November 2022 [REDACTED]**, between Claydon Estate LLP and Rosefield Energyfarm Limited;
- **Deed of Variation, July 2025 [REDACTED]**, between Claydon Estate LLP and Rosefield Energyfarm Limited; and
- **Option Agreement Joint Letter**, dated 24 August 2026, from the Applicant and the Claydon Estate. This provides further context as to the evolution of the land interests between the November 2022 Option for Lease Agreement and the July 2025 Deed of Variation.

For completeness, the Applicant confirms that there are no other option agreements or deeds of variation between Rosefield Energyfarm Limited and Claydon Estate LLP.

Confidentiality

The agreements contain extensive commercially sensitive information concerning private contractual arrangements between the Applicant and the Claydon Estate. The Applicant has therefore redacted provisions which are not necessary to address the Examining Authority's request, including financial terms and other commercially sensitive provisions unrelated to the relevant land interests and contractual arrangements. The Applicant has ensured that relevant points in issue including those raised by Preston Farms Limited remain unredacted, including the plans and provisions which set out how the tenant calls for the lease of the option land.

The agreements have at all times been treated by the Applicant and the Claydon Estate as confidential and have not entered the public domain. Where disclosure has previously been made to Preston Farms Limited, this has been on expressly confidential and restricted terms, including restrictions on onward disclosure.

Whilst the Applicant recognises the general requirements relating to the availability of Examination documents and the Planning Inspectorate's published advice concerning commercially sensitive information¹, this request is not made on the basis of commercial sensitivity alone. The agreements are subject to existing and continuing obligations of confidentiality, and their submission in response to the Examining Authority's request is not intended by either party to waive that confidentiality or consent to unrestricted publication. Publication would place the remaining contractual information into the public domain, circumventing the restrictions which have governed disclosure of the agreements to date.

The Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the enclosed agreements are treated as confidential and not published on the Planning Inspectorate's website.

However, if the Examining Authority considers that Rule 21 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 requires some or all of the enclosed material to be made publicly available, the Applicant acknowledges that, given the imminent close of the Examination today, the Examining Authority must be able to take any necessary procedural steps without further reference to the Applicant. In those circumstances, the Applicant, on behalf of itself and Claydon Estate LLP, accepts publication of the material on the Planning Inspectorate's website.

Yours sincerely,

A black rectangular box redacting the signature of the Project Development Manager.

Project Development Manager

On behalf of Rosefield Energyfarm Limited

¹ www.gov.uk/guidance/nationally-significant-infrastructure-projects-advice-on-the-preparation-and-submission-of-application-documents