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One Earth Solar Farm

The Planning Act 2008

The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rule 2010

Dear Ms Allen,

This letter [EN010159/APP/9.35] introduces One Earth Solar Farm Limited's (the 'Applicant's') submissions for Deadline 5 of the Examination as requested within the 'Rule 8' letter dated 17th July [PD-008].

Updated Application Documents Submitted

The following documents have been updated and submitted as part of the Applicant's Deadline 4 submission:

- Document 1.3.6: Guide to the Application [EN010159/APP/1.3.6] (revision 07)
- Document 2.2.3: Land Plans [EN010159/APP/2.2.3] (revision 04)
- Document 2.3.2: Works Plans [EN010159/APP/2.3.2] (revision 03)
- Document 3.1.5: Draft DCO [EN010159/APP/3.1.5] (revision 06)
- Document 3.2.2: Explanatory Memorandum [EN010159/APP/3.2.2] (revision 03)
- Document 4.1.4: Statement of Reasons [EN010159/APP/4.1.4] (revision 05)
- Document 4.3.4: Book of Reference [EN010159/APP/4.3.4] (revision 05)
- Document 4.4.5: Pre-Application Land and Rights Negotiation Tracker [EN010159/APP/4.4.5] (revision 06)
- Document 5.9.4: Outline Design Parameters [EN010159/APP/5.9.4] (revision 05)
- Document 6.5.2: Chapter 5 Description of the Proposed Development [EN010159/APP/6.5.2] (revision 03)
- Document 6.7.3: Chapter 7 Hydrology and Hydrogeology [EN010159/APP/6.7.3]
 (revision 04)
- Document 6.8.2: Chapter 8 Land and Soils [EN010159/APP/6.8.2] (revision 03)
- Document 6.18.3: Chapter 18 Cumulative Effects [EN010159/APP/6.18.3] (revision 04)

- Document 6.20.2: Environmental Statement Figures 7.1 7.17 [EN010159/APP/6.20.2] (revision 03)
- Document 6.21.3: Appendix 7.2 Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) and Outline Drainage Strategy [EN010159/APP/6.21.3] (revision 04)
- Document 6.21.3: Appendix 12.2 Transport Assessment [EN010159/APP/6.21.3]
 (revision 04)
- Document 7.4.5: Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan [EN010159/APP/7.4.5] (revision 06)
- Document 7.5.4: Outline Operational Environmental Management Plan [EN010159/APP/7.5.4] (revision 05)
- Document 7.6.4: Outline Decommissioning Environmental Management Plan [EN010159/APP/7.6.4] (revision 05)
- Document 7.7.5: Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan [EN010159/APP/7.7.5] (revision 06)
- Document 7.9.4: Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan [EN010159/APP/7.9.4] (revision 05)
- Document 7.10.3: Outline Soil Management Plan [EN010159/APP/7.10.3] (revision 04)
- Document 7.11.4: Outline Battery Safety Management Plan [EN010159/APP/7.11.4]
 (revision 05)
- Document 8.1.3: Statement of Commonality [EN010159/APP/8.1.3] (revision 04)
- Document 8.2.3: Draft Statement of Common Ground with Lincolnshire County Council [EN010159/APP/8.2.3] (revision 04)
- Document 8.3.3: Draft Statement of Common Ground with Nottinghamshire County
 Council [EN010159/APP/8.3.3] (revision 04)
- Document 8.4.3: Draft Statement of Common Ground with West Lindsey District Council [EN010159/APP/8.4.3] (revision 04)
- Document 8.6.3: Draft Statement of Common Ground with Newark and Sherwood District Council [EN010159/APP/8.6.3] (revision 04)
- Document 8.7.2: Draft Statement of Common Ground with Historic Environment [EN010159/APP/8.7.2] (revision 03)
- Document 8.9.1: Draft Statement of Common Ground with National Grid [EN010159/APP/8.9.1] (revision 02)

- Document 8.10.1: Draft Statement of Common Ground with Natural England [EN010159/APP/8.10.1] (revision 02)
- Document 8.11.3: Draft Statement of Common Ground with Environment Agency [EN010159/APP/8.11.3] (revision 04)
- Document 8.12.3: Final Statement of Common Ground with National Highways [EN010159/APP/8.12.3] (revision 04)
- Document 9.8.4: Schedule of DCO Changes [EN010159/APP/9.8.4] (revision 05)
- Document 9.9.3: Book of Reference Schedule of Changes [EN010159/APP/9.9.3] (revision 04)
- Document 9.10.2: Schedule of Changes to Land Plans [EN010159/APP/9.10.2] (revision 03)

New Documents Submitted

In addition to the updates made to the Applicant's submission documents, the Applicant has submitted a number of new documents to support the DCO Application. These new documents include:

- Document 9.35: Deadline 5 Covering Letter [EN010159/APP/9.35] (revision 01)
- Document 9.36: Applicant's Summary of Open Floor Hearing (OFH3) [EN010159/APP/9.36] (revision 01)
- Document 9.37: Applicant's Summary of Issue Specific Hearing (ISH3) [EN010159/APP/9.37] (revision 01)
- Document 9.38: Applicant's Response to Deadline 4 Submissions [EN010159/APP/9.38] (revision 01)
- Document 9.39: A57 Access Note [EN010159/APP/9.39] (revision 01)
- Document 9.40: Residential Properties Location Plan [EN010159/APP/9.40] (revision 01)

Updated Guide to the Application

All new and revised documents are referenced in the enclosed updated Guide to the Application [EN010159/APP/1.3.6].

Statements of Common Ground (SoCGs)

The Applicant confirms that updated versions of most of the Statements of Common Ground have been submitted at this deadline. The Applicant continues to engage actively with all stakeholders with whom a Statement of Common Ground is held with. The updated versions submitted demonstrate ongoing progress across a range of topics.

The Applicant has not submitted updated Statements of Common Ground with Anglian Water or the Fire and Rescue Services but can confirm that we are in continued communications with them, and updated version have been shared with stakeholders and will be submitted at Deadline 6, if not before.

The Statement of Commonality [EN010159/APP/8.1.3] provides a summary of all Statements of Common Ground.

Applicant's Response to Deadline 4 Submissions

Following the closure of Deadline 4 on 14th September, the Applicant reviewed all documents submitted and has provided responses to the action points of the Deadline 4 Submissions from other parties involved in the Examination process. The Applicant's responses have been submitted at this deadline within Document 9.38: Applicant's Response to Deadline 4 Submissions [EN010159/APP/9.38].

Summary of Applicant's Oral Submissions at OFH3 and ISH3

Following the latest hearings held on Thursday 6th November 2025, the summary of the Applicant's Oral Submissions from both the Open Floor Hearing and Issue Specific Hearing have been submitted at this deadline. Please refer to Document 9.36: Applicant's Summary of Open Floor Hearing (OFH3) [EN010159/APP/9.36] and Document 9.37: Applicant's Summary of Issue Specific Hearing (ISH3) [EN010159/APP/9.37].

Response to ExA Action Points from Issue Specific Hearing 3

All action points discussed within Issue Specific Hearing 3 are addressed in the Written Summary of the Applicant's Oral Submissions [EN010159/APP/9.37]. Where an action or part of an action has been addressed by a response to a Relevant Representation, this has been noted within the written summary.

National Grid Communications

As noted during the Issue Specific Hearing 3, the Applicant is aware that National Grid has issued communications, in the form of a public leaflet, indicating that the North Humber to High Marnham Overhead Line Project is expected to become operational in 2031. The Applicant wishes to clarify that this information is not relevant to the One Earth Solar Farm. The Proposed Development will connect into the High Marnham 400kV Substation, which has an operational date of 2029.

Update to Compulsory Acquisition Powers Sought

The Applicant has reduced the scope of compulsory acquisition and temporary possession powers sought in the vicinity of the National Grid High Marnham substation. Specifically, the Applicant has reduced the extent of plots [05-011, 06-003 and 08-011] as depicted on the Land Plan and described in the Book of Reference (both of which are updated for Deadline 5). This land is now coloured white on the Land Plan and therefore falls outside of the definition of "Order land" in Article 2 (Interpretation) of the draft DCO and thus outside of the scope of the powers in Part 5 (Powers of Acquisition). This is explained in the Statement of Reasons as updated at Deadline 5.

The Applicant continues to seek development consent powers over the "white land" and therefore the land remains within the Order limits depicted on the Works Plan, and for the avoidance of doubt there is no change to the red line boundary.

The Applicant has adopted this approach as a compromise, acknowledging that there is increased confidence in the location of the proposed connection point at High Marnham, but that the planning process for the National Grid substation (including final location) is ongoing. The Applicant has therefore restricted the scope of compulsory acquisition and temporary possession powers, whilst continuing to seek development consent powers over the wider area. In effect, this means that if the DCO is granted, the Applicant will be able to rely upon the DCO as planning permission for works in the white area (if required) but will rely upon voluntary negotiations to secure any necessary land rights in that area.

The approach to including "white land" is well-precedented, including in The Longfield Solar Farm Order 2023 (see paragraph 5.1.1 of the Longfield Statement of Reasons (APP-014)), The Cottam Solar Project Order 2024 (see paragraph 5.1.1 of the Cottam Statement of Reasons (REP4-017)) and the West Burton Solar Project Order 2025 (see paragraph 5.1.1 of the West Burton Statement of Reasons (Response to Secretary of State Consultation, Rev D October 2024).

If the Examining Authority or Planning Inspectorate Case Team have any questions on any of the above, then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

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