



Great North Road Solar and Biodiversity Park

Schedule of Changes to the dDCO

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**The Great North Road Solar and Biodiversity Park Order 202X
DCO Changes Tracker - Document 3.4**

This document is submitted together with the updated draft DCO (Document 3.1C Rev 4) on 16 January 2026 and identifies and explains the changes that have been made to the previous version of the draft DCO (Document 3.1B Rev 3, REP1-005) submitted on 10 December 2025.

The changes that were made to the original application submission draft DCO (Document 3.1 Rev 1, APP-007) in the version submitted on 19 August 2025 (Rev 2) have been moved to **Appendix A** of this document.

The changes that were made to the version of the draft DCO (Document 3.1A Rev 2, AS-012) submitted on 10 December 2025 (Rev 3) have been moved to **Appendix B** of this document

**Schedule of changes made to the draft Development Consent Order (Document 3.1C Rev 4)
submitted by the Applicant on 16 January 2026**

Section/Article No. and title	Change	Reason	Date of Draft
Preamble	The reference in the fourth paragraph to "section 105(2) of the 2008 Act" has been amended to section 104(2).	Typographical correction as detailed in the Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.1.	16 January 2026
Article 2	The definition of "authorised development" has been amended from: <i>"means development described in Schedule 1 (authorised development) and any other development within the meaning of section 32 (meaning of "development") of the 2008 Act authorised by this Order"</i> to: <i>"means the development and associated development, which is development within the meaning of section 32 (meaning of "development") of the 2008 Act, authorised by</i>	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.2, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026

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	<i>this Order and as described in Schedule 1 (authorised development)".</i>		
Article 2	<p>The definition of "Order land" has been amended from:</p> <p><i>"means the land shown on the land plans which is within the limits of land to be acquired or used and described in the book of reference"</i></p> <p>to:</p> <p><i>"means the land shown coloured pink, blue or yellow on the land plans which is within the limits of land to be acquired or used and described in the book of reference".</i></p>	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.3, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026
Article 2	The definitions of "BESS consent", "consented BESS" and "existing substation" have been moved to article 2 from Schedule 1.	Because the terms are now also used in Schedule 2 (see new requirement 24 below) and so the references to those terms in Schedule 2 take their meaning from article 2 (which applies to the whole Order, whereas Schedule 1 defined terms apply only to Schedule 1)	16 January 2026
Article 10/11	<p>Article 10 (street works) has been amended to delete the provisions relating to the Nottinghamshire County Council permit scheme, which have now been moved to a new article 11 (application of the permit scheme).</p> <p>As a consequence of this, previous articles 11 (power to alter layout, etc., of streets), 12 (construction and maintenance of altered streets), 13 (temporary prohibition, restriction and diversion of use of streets and public rights of way) and 14 (permanent closure of public rights of way) have become articles 12,</p>	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.4, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026

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	13, 14 and 15 respectively. Additionally, the references within the dDCO to these articles have been updated accordingly.		
Article 15 (previous article 14)	<p>Sub-paragraph (2) article 15 (permanent closure of public rights of way) has been updated to clarify that permanent closures cannot take place until (if applicable) the temporary alternative route has been opened for use.</p> <p>Sub-paragraph (3) has also been updated to replace the reference to "<i>street or private means of access</i>" to "<i>public right of way</i>".</p>	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.5(a. to d.), as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026
Previous article 15	Previous article 15 (use of private roads for construction) has been deleted.	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.7, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026
Article 16	<p>Article 16 (access to works) has been amended to remove previous sub-paragraph (b), which related to Part 2 (temporary means of access to works) of Schedule 6 (access to works).</p> <p>A new paragraph (2) has been added as follows:</p> <p><i>"Any temporary measures undertaken in accordance with paragraph (1)(b) shall be removed by the undertaker as soon as is reasonably practicable when no longer required for the purposes of the authorised development and the land shall thereafter be restored to the highway authority's reasonable satisfaction".</i></p>	<p>Schedule 6 does not have a Part 2 – all accesses specified in Schedule 6 are permanent, as indicated by Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.8.</p> <p>The new paragraph has been added to address the first part of ExQ1 2.1.8.</p>	16 January 2026

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Article 17	Sub-paragraph (1)(c) of article 17 (agreements with street authorities) has been amended to include reference to article 16 (access to works).	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.9, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026
Article 18	Paragraph (5) of article 18 (traffic regulation measures) has been amended to include a new sub-paragraph (b), which requires the undertaker to erect a notice at each end of the affected road before utilising the article 18 powers, explaining the effect of the provision.	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.10, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026
Schedule 1 (authorised development)	Schedule 1 (authorised development) has been amended to provide additional headings and paragraph numbers for clarity. In numbered paragraph 3, " <i>alternating current</i> " has been added after the reference to " <i>50 megawatts</i> ".	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.15, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026
Schedule 2 (requirements)	References to approvals needing to be "in writing" in requirements 6 (detailed design approval), 16 (ground conditions) and 23 (long-term flood risk mitigation) have been deleted.	Requirement 4 (requirement for written approval) states: " <i>Where any approval, agreement or confirmation is required under any requirement, that approval, agreement or confirmation must be provided in writing.</i> " As such, other references to approvals needing to be in writing are superfluous.	16 January 2026
Schedule 2 (requirements)	Requirement 8 has been amended to include an obligation on the Applicant to submit a biodiversity design strategy as well as a landscape and ecological management plan, which is now required to include a number of prescribed details. Requirement 8 now provides as follows: <i>"Landscape and ecological management plan and biodiversity design strategy</i>	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.19, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026

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	<p><i>8.—(1) The authorised development must not commence until a biodiversity design strategy has been submitted to and approved by the planning authority, such approval to be in consultation with the Environment Agency, the county authority and the statutory nature conservation body.</i></p> <p><i>(2) The biodiversity design strategy must include details of how the strategy will secure a biodiversity net gain for all of the authorised development during the operation of the authorised development of at least 42% in area-based habitat units, at least 17% in hedgerow units, and at least 10% in watercourse units, using the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs’ statutory biodiversity metric (version 1.0.3) to calculate those percentages.</i></p> <p><i>(3) The biodiversity design strategy must be substantially in accordance with the outline landscape and ecological management plan, must be implemented as approved and maintained throughout the operation of the relevant part of the authorised development to which the plan relates.</i></p> <p><i>(4) No phase of the authorised development may commence until a written landscape and ecological management plan for that phase has been submitted to and approved by the planning authority.</i></p> <p><i>(5) The written landscape and ecological management plan for each phase of the authorised development submitted under paragraph (4) must—</i></p> <p><i>(a) be substantially in accordance with the outline landscape and ecological management plan, the biodiversity design strategy</i></p>		

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	<p><i>approved pursuant to paragraph (1) and the concept design parameters and principles;</i> <i>(b) provide details of the proposed hard and soft landscape and biodiversity enhancement works including (in so far as is relevant)—</i> <i>(i) surveys, assessments and method statements;</i> <i>(ii) location, number, species, size, plant protection measures and planting density of any proposed planting and the location of areas to be seeded;</i> <i>(iii) cultivation, importing of materials and other operations to ensure plant establishment; and</i> <i>(iv) implementation timetables for all landscape and biodiversity enhancement works; and</i> <i>(c) provide details of how the landscape and biodiversity enhancement measures will be managed and maintained during the operation of the authorised development.</i> <i>(6) All landscape and biodiversity enhancement works associated with the authorised development in each phase must be carried out in accordance with the approved landscape and ecological management plan for that phase.</i> <i>(7) For the purposes of paragraph (1), "commence" includes part (i) (site clearance (including vegetation removal and demolition of buildings) of the permitted preliminary works."</i></p>		
Schedule 2 (requirements)	Requirement 10 (surface and foul water drainage) has been amended to specify that the approving authority is Nottinghamshire	At the request of and agreed with Nottinghamshire County Council and Newark and Sherwood District Council.	16 January 2026

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	County Council, in consultation with Newark and Sherwood District Council.		
Schedule 2 (requirements)	<p>Requirement 11 (archaeology) has been amended to read as follows:</p> <p>"Archaeology</p> <p>11.—(1) <i>No phase of the authorised development may commence until the details specified in sub-paragraph (2) for that phase have been submitted to and approved by the county authority, in consultation with the planning authority.</i></p> <p>(2) <i>The details for each phase to be submitted pursuant to sub-paragraph (1) must—</i></p> <p>(a) <i>include a written scheme for the investigation of areas of archaeological interest within that phase;</i></p> <p>(b) <i>identify any areas where a programme of archaeological investigation is required within that phase and the measures to be taken to protect, record or preserve any significant archaeological remains that may be found; and</i></p> <p>(c) <i>be generally in accordance with the outline archaeological mitigation strategy.</i></p> <p>(3) <i>The detailed archaeological mitigation strategy must be implemented as approved."</i></p>	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.21 (c.), as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026
Schedule 2 (requirements)	Requirement 12 (construction environmental management plan) has been amended to include the Environment Agency and Nottinghamshire County Council as consultees for approval of the CEMP, in relation to (respectively): (a) the arrangements for refuelling and horizontal directional drilling;	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.22, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026

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	and (b) sustainable drainage systems measures.		
Schedule (requirements) 2	Requirement 15 (operational noise) has been amended to include reference to the specific decibel limits sets out Technical Appendix A12.2 to the Environmental Statement.	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.23, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026
Schedule (requirements) 2	Requirement 21 (community liaison) has been amended to specify that the community liaison plan is to be implemented as approved prior to the commencement of the authorised development.	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.24, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026
Schedule (requirements) 2	Requirement 22 (glint and glare) has been amended to replace the requirement to provide a glint and glare assessment with the requirement to provide a glint and glare mitigation strategy for the relevant phase. Approval of the mitigation strategy by Newark and Sherwood District Council must be in consultation with National Highways.	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.25, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026
Schedule (requirements) 2	A new requirement 24 (grid connection optionality) has been added as follows: "Grid connection optionality 24.—(1) Prior to commencing any part of Work No. 6 or Work No. 7, the undertaker shall notify the planning authority of whether the authorised development will connect directly into the existing substation or via the substation associated with the consented BESS. (2) The works required to connect into the national grid shall only proceed in accordance	In response to Examiner's First Written Question 1.1.4, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions.	16 January 2026

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	<i>with notice to which sub-paragraph (1) refers."</i>		
Schedule 11 (documents and plans to be certified)	Several application and environmental statement documents have had the revision number and date updated.	The changes to the revision numbers and dates are to reflect the updates to the documents required for submission at Deadline 2.	16 January 2026
Schedule 13 (protective provisions)	Minor amendments have been made to Part 7 (for the protection of Cadent Gas Ltd as gas undertaker) of Schedule 13 (protective provisions).	To reflect the latest negotiations between the Applicant and Cadent.	16 January 2026
Schedule 14 (procedure for discharge requirements)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sub-paragraph (2)(a) of paragraph 4 (appeals) has been amended to replace "42 days" with "30 business days". 2. Reference to "forthwith" in sub-paragraph (2)(c) of paragraph 4 (appeals) has been deleted. 3. Sub-paragraph (2)(a) of paragraph 5 (fees) has been amended to include the discharge of requirement 11 (archaeology). 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.27, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions. 2. In response to Examiner's First Written Question 2.1.27, as detailed further in the Applicant's response to Examiner's First Written Questions. 3. At the request of and agreed with Nottinghamshire County Council. 	16 January 2026

APPENDIX A

Schedule of changes to the version of the draft DCO (document 3.1, Rev 1, APP-007) in the version submitted on 19 August 2025 (Rev 2)

Section/Article No. and title	Change	Reason	Date of Draft
Schedule 3	The reference to " <i>Broadgate Lane</i> " in column 2 of the third row of the table in Schedule 3 (<i>streets subject to street works</i>) has been amended to " <i>Cold Harbour Lane</i> "	To correct an incorrect street name reference.	19 August 2025

APPENDIX B

Schedule of changes to the version of the draft DCO (document 3.1A, Rev 2, AS-012) in the version submitted on 10 December 2025 (Rev 3)

Section/Article No. and title	Change	Reason	Date of Draft
Contents; Schedule 7	Part 2 (<i>temporary road closures</i>) of Schedule 7 (<i>traffic regulation measures</i>) has been deleted	Part 2 of Schedule 7 duplicates Part 1 (<i>temporary prohibition or restriction of the use of streets</i>) of Schedule 5 (<i>streets and public rights of way</i>). Where Part 2 of Schedule 7 is referred to in the draft DCO (see Article 18(1)(b)), this should be a reference to the table in Part 3 (temporary traffic signs and signals) of Schedule 7. Deleting the current Part 2 has resulted in Part 3 being renumbered to Part 2, resulting in the correct reference in Article 18(1)(b).	10 December 2025
Article 2	The following definitions have been amended as described: "hedgerows plan" has been amended to "hedgerow plans" "outline archaeology mitigation strategy" has been amended to "outline archaeological mitigation strategy" "public rights of way diversions and permissive routes plan" has been amended to "public rights of way and permissive routes plan" "traffic regulation measures plans" has been amended to "traffic regulation measures plan". Each reference to the above terms throughout the draft DCO has been updated accordingly	To correctly reference the title of the relevant document.	10 December 2025

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Article 8	<p>Sub-paragraph (1)(d) of article 8 has been amended as follows (additions in bold and underlined, deletions crossed through):</p> <p><i>“the provisions of any byelaws made under, or having effect as if made under, paragraphs 5, 6 or 6A of Schedule 25 (byelaw-making powers of the appropriate agency authority) to the Water Resources Act 1991(d); and”</i></p>	<p>The title of Schedule 25 to the Water Resources Act 1991 was, when originally drafted: ‘<i>byelaw-making powers of the authority</i>’. This was modified, most recently, to: ‘<i>byelaw-making powers of the appropriate agency</i>’, pursuant to the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Functions) Order 2013.</p>	10 December 2025
Article 9	<p>Paragraphs (1)(a)(i) and (ii), and (1)(b) of article 9 have been amended as follows (additions in bold and underlined, deletions crossed through):</p> <p><i>“(a) the defendant shows that the nuisance—</i></p> <p><i>(i) relates to premises used by the undertaker for the purposes of or in connection with the construction, or maintenance or decommissioning of the authorised development and that the nuisance is attributable to the construction, maintenance or decommissioning of the authorised development in accordance with a notice served under section 60 (control of noise on construction site), a consent given under section 61 (prior consent for work on construction site) or a consent given under section 65 (noise exceeding registered level) of the Control of Pollution Act 1974(); or</i></p> <p><i>(ii) is a consequence of the construction, or maintenance or decommissioning of the authorised development and that it cannot reasonably be avoided; or</i></p>	<p>The amendment to 1(a) is to clarify that the standard defence to statutory noise nuisance (contained in the majority of made orders) also applies to the authorised development’s decommissioning, not only its construction or maintenance.</p> <p>The amendment to 1(b) is to correct a typographical error.</p>	10 December 2025

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	<i>(b) the nuisance is a consequence of the use of the authorised development and that it cannot-be reasonably be avoided"</i>		
Article 10	Paragraph (7) of article 10 has been amended to delete the word "relevant" from the phrase "relevant permit scheme"	There is only one permit scheme and so the word "relevant" is extraneous.	10 December 2025
Article 14	The reference in article 14(1) to "Part 6" has been amended to "Part 3"	There is no Part 6 of Schedule 5 – Part 3 is the correct reference.	10 December 2025
Article 14	The references in article 14(4) and (5) to "definitive statement" have been amended to "definitive map and statement"	To refer to the correct defined term in article 2 (being "definitive map and statement").	10 December 2025
Article 22 and Schedule 8	<p>The table below article 22(3) (<i>compulsory acquisition of land</i>) has been updated to include land plot number 8/28, meaning that that land plot may not be acquired compulsorily pursuant to article 22(1)</p> <p>The table in Schedule 8 (<i>land in which only new rights etc. may be acquired</i>) has been updated to include land plot numbers 2/49, 2/50 and 8/27, and to remove land plot number 2/38. Cable rights over land plots 2/49, 2/50 and 8/27 may now be acquired and cable restrictive covenants may now be imposed.</p> <p>(N.B. references to 'land plot number' is to the corresponding number shown on the land plans)</p>	<p>Plot 8/28 is not required for compulsory acquisition but the plot has been split from plot 8/17 due to a change in ownership.</p> <p>Plot 2/38 has been split to form two new plots 2/49 and 2/50 due to a change in ownership. Plot 2/38 has been removed from the book of reference and the land plans, and is no longer used.</p> <p>Plot 8/27 has been split from Plot 8/12 due to new ownership.</p> <p>Further details are provided in the updated book of reference and statement of reasons submitted at deadline 1.</p>	10 December 2025

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Article 39	The reference to " <i>paragraph (1)(a)</i> " in article 39(5) has been amended to " <i>paragraph (2)</i> "	To correct the cross-referencing – the power provided by article 39(5) is to be subject to the requirements of article 39(2), not article 39(1)(a).	10 December 2025
Schedules 1, 2 and 4	The associated empowering article references have been added or corrected next to the relevant schedule title	Previously missing or incorrect	10 December 2025
Schedule 2: Requirements 9, 12, 13, 16 and 19	Requirements 9 (<i>fencing and other means of enclosure</i>), 12 (<i>construction environmental management plan</i>), 13 (<i>operational environmental management plan</i>), 16 (<i>ground conditions</i>) and 19 (<i>decommissioning and restoration</i>) have been amended to require the relevant authority (the planning authority or the county authority) to consult with the Environment Agency before approving the applicable document required to be submitted by the undertaker in accordance with the relevant requirement	At the request of the Environment Agency.	10 December 2025
Schedule 2, requirement 11	Sub-paragraph (2) of requirement 11 (<i>archaeology</i>) has been amended as follows: " <i>The archaeological mitigation strategy submitted under sub-paragraph (1) must be substantially in accordance with the outline archaeological mitigation strategy</i> "	The word " <i>substantially</i> " has been removed at the request of Historic England, which had concerns that the word potentially introduces ambiguity and risk of dispute at post-DCO approval stage, as set out in the statement of common ground with Historic England.	10 December 2025
Schedule 2, requirement 12	A new sub-paragraph (4) has been added to requirement 12 as follows: " <i>All permitted preliminary works must be carried out in accordance with the outline construction environmental management plan</i> "	To seek to address the Environment Agency's request that all construction works (including permitted preliminary works) are adequately controlled, as detailed in the statement of common ground with the Environment Agency.	10 December 2025

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Schedule 2, requirement 14	<p>Sub-paragraph (1) of requirement 14 (<i>construction traffic management plan</i>) has been amended to include the text in bold and underlined below:</p> <p><i>"No phase of the authorised development may commence until a construction traffic management plan for that phase has been submitted to and approved by the county authority, <u>in consultation with National Highways.</u>"</i></p>	To address National Highways' request to have sight of any signage that may be required to be placed on the strategic road network as a result of the authorised development and to ensure that the construction traffic management plan covers the anticipated construction traffic demands on the strategic road network during AM and PM peak hours in the month when the maximum construction traffic volume associated with construction of the authorised development is expected, as set out in the statement of common ground with National Highways.	10 December 2025
Schedule 2, requirement 18	<p>Sub-paragraph (1) of requirement 18 (<i>recreational enhancements and routes</i>) has been amended as shown below (added text shown in bold and underlined):</p> <p><i>"No phase of the authorised development may commence until a recreational routes management plan in relation to that phase has been submitted to and approved by the <u>planning county</u> authority"</i></p>	To reflect that Nottinghamshire County Council is the highway authority for the area and should be the approving authority for any public rights of way details, as will be set out in the recreational routes management plan.	10 December 2025
Schedule 2, requirement 20	<p>Sub-paragraph (1) of requirement 20 (<i>soil management</i>) has been amended to include the text in bold and underlined below:</p> <p><i>"No phase of the authorised development may commence until a soil management plan in relation to that phase has been submitted to and approved by the planning authority, <u>in consultation with Natural England.</u>"</i></p>	As requested by Natural England.	10 December 2025
Schedule 4, Part 1	Row 4 of the table in Schedule 4 (<i>alteration of streets</i>), Part 1 (<i>permanent alteration of layout</i>) has been amended to correct out of	Typographical correction.	10 December 2025

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	sequence referencing when referring to the sheet numbers of the streets and access plans.		
Schedule 7, Part 2	Row 6 of the table in Schedule 7 (<i>traffic regulation measures</i>), Part 2 (<i>temporary traffic signs and signals</i>) (as amended as specified at row 1 of this table above) has been amended to correct out of sequence and incorrect sheet referencing when referring to the sheet numbers of the traffic regulation measures plan.	Typographical correction.	10 December 2025
Schedule 11	Several application and environmental statement documents have had the revision number and date updated.	The changes to the revision numbers and dates are to reflect the updates to the documents required for submission at Deadline 1.	10 December 2025
Schedule 13, Part 2	Schedule 13 (<i>protective provisions</i>), Part 2 (<i>for the protection of operators of electronic communications code networks</i>) has been amended to move paragraph 14(4) to its own paragraph 15 and to delete paragraph 17.	Paragraph 14(4), which provides that any difference arising between the undertaker and the operator is to be referred to arbitration under article 42, best sits as a standalone paragraph, not as a sub-paragraph of paragraph 14. It applies to the whole of Part 2, not only paragraph 14. Paragraph 17 was included in error – Airwaves Solutions Limited has no interest in the DCO application/examination.	10 December 2025
Schedule 13, Part 8	A new Part 8 (<i>for the protection of National Grid Electricity Transmission plc as electricity undertaker</i>) has been added to Schedule 13. A new Part 8 has been added to the table of contents.	A set of protective provisions in favour of NGET have been added following discussion with the Applicant. These are currently being reviewed by NGET and the Applicant will provide updates in due course, as the examination progresses.	10 December 2025