

We are instructed by and write on behalf of United Kingdom Industrial Fusion Solutions Limited ("UKIFS") in relation to the Steeple Renewables Project (the "Proposed Development"). UKFIS is a wholly owned subsidiary of UK Atomic Energy Authority ("UKAEA") and is the government funded delivery vehicle for the for the STEP project which will be built on the site of the former EDF West Burton Power Station (the "Site").

As stated in UKIFS' relevant representation and written representation we note that protective provisions have been provided for UKAEA within the Part 9 of Schedule 10 of the draft DCO (the "Protective Provisions"). UKIFS considers that in order to adequately protect its interest in the future development of the STEP, the protective provisions should be amended such that they:

1. Apply expressly for the benefit of UKIFS, as well as UKAEA;
2. Reflect the full extent of the UKAEA Land;
3. Define "West Burton Power Station" with specific reference to a plan;
4. Remove the deemed approval provision contained in sub-paragraph 142(4)(c).

Please find attached a mark up of Part 9 of Schedule 10 of the draft DCO with these amendments made. We shared this mark up with the Applicant's solicitors Womble Bond Dickinson on 7 January 2026 requesting that these changes be made in the next draft of the DCO submitted to the examination

These amendments would provide UKIFS and UKAEA substantively the same protections as had been included for the protection of UKAEA in Schedule 15 Part 19 of The West Burton Solar Project Order 2025, consequently they have previously been accepted by the Secretary of State as appropriate in relation to a comparable project. UKIFS therefore requests that these changes be made in the next draft of the DCO submitted to the examination or, if these changes are not made by the Applicant, are introduced by the Secretary of State if the Steeple Renewables Project DCO is made.

We received an updated draft on 21 January 2026 from Womble Bond Dickinson with constructive comments which we are reviewing and taking instructions on. We will continue to negotiate with the Applicant to agree the final wording of these provisions.

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