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To whom it may concern,

DCO Scheme: The Steeple Renewables Project 202[*]

Our client: Network Rail Infrastructure Limited

Registered Party Reference: [REDACTED]

Applicant: Steeple Solar Farm Limited

Subject: Update to Examining Authority on the Status of Negotiations

This Firm is instructed by Network Rail Infrastructure Limited (**NR**) in relation to the DCO Scheme and we write to provide an update to the Examining Authority on the status of negotiations between NR and the Applicant.

Status of negotiations

Discussions with the Applicant regarding the inclusion of NR's standard protective provisions in the draft Order and associated side agreement have, at this time, reached an impasse.

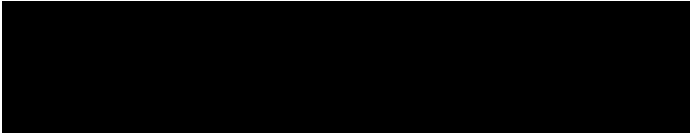
We understand that the Applicant does not intend to progress negotiations with Network Rail any further in respect of the form of protective provisions and instead intends to await determination of these by the Examining Authority.

Should the Applicant wish to resume discussions, NR remains amenable to this, with a view to reaching agreement prior to determination of the application for the DCO Scheme.

However, should discussions not be forthcoming, NR must regrettably maintain its objection to the DCO Scheme as set out in NR's Written Representations (Examination Library Ref: REP1-021) and Closing Statement (Examination Library Ref: REP6-051) and respectfully requests that its standard protective provisions be included in the Order should the Examining Authority be minded to grant the same.

Should you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us on the details below.

Yours faithfully



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