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Our Ref: EN010166

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Dear Mr Bullock

**Application by Uniper UK for an order granting development consent for the
Connah's Quay Low Carbon Power Project (EN010166)**

Planning Act 2008 – section 89(3)

Procedural decision following issue of acceptance decision

Following my appointment as the Examining Authority (ExA), I have reviewed the submitted application documents received on 5 August 2025 and consider that there is the potential for matters to arise which would benefit from being addressed at the earliest possible opportunity. I have therefore made a procedural decision to request additional evidence. The following evidence should be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate for publication on the National Infrastructure Planning website by **30 December 2025**.

It is considered that the proposed development could impact the integrity one or more European sites protected by the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 as amended (known as the Habitats Regulations). Consequently, it is suggested that, without prejudice, supporting documentation to apply for a derogation under the regulations be submitted should it be concluded during examination that this next step is required.

Timely receipt of this updated evidence is essential to ensure all persons with an interest in the application will have the opportunity to make relevant representations based on evidence that comprehensively describes the proposed development.

Where the requested updates are not submitted by the deadline provided there may be implications for the date upon which the preliminary meeting can be held.

If you have any queries on these matters, please do not hesitate to contact our office using the contact details at the head of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

Nick Ely

Nick Ely
Examining Authority

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