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Dear Case Team,

I am an interested party in the Light Valley Solar examination (reference [REDACTED]). I raised the point below in my Deadline 3 submission of 5 October 2026, at Part B, section B.7.3. I write now only because the Applicant is due to submit a replacement timetable by 23:59 on Thursday 8 October, and the point bears directly on how that timetable can be constructed.

Table 5-1 of the Applicant's change notification [CR1-001], at printed page 12, places three steps in a single row dated 11 December 2026: the issue of notices of hearings, the deadline to request to speak, and the initial assessment of principal issues.

Regulations 15(1)(a) and 16(1)(a) of the Infrastructure Planning (Compulsory Acquisition) Regulations 2010 require that the deadline by which an affected person must notify a wish to be heard is "not less than 21 days after the date of the notification". Giving advance notice of a hearing does not by itself supply that separate request period. If notification were made on 11 December 2026, the deadline for requesting to be heard could not fall before 1 January 2027.

I would be grateful if the Examining Authority would ask the Applicant to identify, in the replacement timetable, the date of notification and the deadline for requesting to be heard as separate dates for each relevant hearing, preserving the full statutory minimum, and to allow a practical opportunity to respond over the Christmas and New Year period.

I note that the Examining Authority's letter of 5 October 2026 requires the Applicant to demonstrate how the full process in regulations 5 to 19 could be accommodated. This appears to be one specific aspect of that requirement which the letter does not address expressly.

I should be grateful for acknowledgement of receipt, and for this note to be placed on the examination record.

I am not legally qualified and advance this as a question for the Examining Authority rather than as a legal submission.

Yours faithfully,

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