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Dear [REDACTED]

Application by East Pye Solar Ltd for an order granting development consent for the East Pye Solar project (EN0110014)
Notice of Intention of National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc not to attend Issue Specific Hearing 1

This letter sets out National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc's ("National Grid") response to the Examining Authority's Agenda for Issue Specific Hearing 1 (ISH1) on the scope of the proposed development, site selection and the draft Development Consent Order published on 8 September 2026 (the "**Agenda**").

In the Agenda, the Examining Authority states that it would be assisted by attendance of representatives of National Grid alongside eight other parties. Whilst National Grid appreciates this invitation to attend ISH1, we do not consider that it is necessary to do so.

National Grid's position on the DCO application is set out in its relevant representation (RR-1407). We consider this adequately addresses our client's position on the DCO application at this stage of the examination. We do not consider that attendance at ISH1 would add substantively to the points already made in writing. The Applicant is in a better position to respond to the matters raised in the Agenda at this stage of the examination.

We confirm that National Grid intends to remain engaged in the examination as an interested party. National Grid reserves its position to attend future hearings, including further issue specific hearings, should matters arise that we consider require oral representation. National Grid will respond to any written questions at the appropriate stage of the examination.

We would be grateful if you could provide confirmation of receipt by return.

Yours faithfully

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