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Dear Sir/Madam

Hinkley to Seabank Connection Proposal.

Thank you for your letter of 21 August 2010 addressed to my colleague Mr Wilson, making representations regarding the above proposal.

As the organisation which will consider any application, we cannot express any views on the merits of the case or on issues such as design or appearance. These would be the subject of an examination into any future application to the IPC. If and when an application is submitted and proceeds to examination, you will have an opportunity to register to take part in the examination. Publicity in the local and national press and on site notices at that time will explain when how you can register to become an interested party by making a relevant representation.

At this pre-application stage the promoter is responsible for considering all comments and I note that you have already made your views known to National Grid directly. You may also wish to write to your local authority. The local authority will be asked for their view on how effective National Grid's consultation has been at the time the application is submitted to us.

I hope that this is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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