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Planning Inspectorate

Dear Planning Inspectorate,

**Application by National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET) for Sea Link update on progress in relation to Heads of Terms negotiations with National Grid Transmission**

**Response from the National Trust**

*With our staff, members, volunteers and supporters, the National Trust is the biggest conservation charity in Europe. We protect and care for places so people and nature can thrive. Many millions share the belief that nature, beauty and history are for everyone. So we look after the nation's coastline, historic sites, countryside and green spaces, ensuring everyone benefits. For everyone, for ever.*

**Current position on Heads of Terms negotiations**

The National Trust confirms that Heads of Terms between the National Trust and the Applicant have now been agreed. While the Heads of Terms are subject to contract and completion of legal agreements, they represent an agreed position in principle on the main terms between the parties. We anticipate that solicitors will shortly be instructed to progress the drafting of the associated legal agreements in accordance with those Heads of Terms. We will continue to engage constructively with the Applicant to progress matters and do not consider that any outstanding issues remain which would prevent the agreements being concluded following exchange and completion of the legal documentation. The National Trust will provide any further updates to the Examining Authority as appropriate.

Yours sincerely

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