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Dear John Wheadon,

Planning Act 2008 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 Application by National Grid Electricity Transmission plc ("the Applicant") for an Order granting Development Consent for the proposed Sea Link project ("the Proposed Development")

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Please find below Thanet District Council's response to the information requested:

Human Health and Wellbeing

The Council notes the wording proposed for HW03 of the REAC. The Council understands that the information shall be shared with the relevant district and county councils when concerns are recorded and requests that responses (of the developers) are also shared; and that this is added to the wording of HW03 of the REAC.

Compulsory Acquisition and Temporary Possession

The Council is awaiting professional advice and dialogue with the Applicant is ongoing.

Development Consent Order

With regards to paragraph 55 of the your letter, the Council's Senior Environmental Health Practitioner makes the following comment:

Environmental Health Officer is content with the proposed wording for Requirement 18 (Control of operational noise). Sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) establish the substantive obligation: the operational noise assessment must be based on final plant and layout, must demonstrate compliance with the rating levels in sub-paragraph (3), and must identify any mitigation needed to achieve that compliance and with the approved assessment and mitigation will be binding for the life of the development. On this basis, the 34 dB LAr figures in sub-paragraph (3) operate as an overarching ceiling rather than the operational target itself. The intent is that a lower, site specific rating level will be pursued and secured through the assessment and approval process wherever practicable, with 34 dB acting as the backstop limit that must not be exceeded in any event. We are satisfied this achieves the outcome discussed with the Examining Authority.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if any further clarification is required.

Yours sincerely



Planning Applications Manager