From:

Sent: 29 April 2025 16:18

To: Morgan and Morecambe OWFTA **Subject:** RE: EN020028 - ISH1- MMTA-AP274

FAO: Examiner / PINS casework team

Following correspondence yesterday and today with the applicant for the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms Transmission Assets, it is no longer necessary for the Trust to attend ISH1 this week. To assist with your arrangements for the hearings, I'm emailing to let you know that Sophie Summers and I will not now be attending from Canal & River Trust.

The Trust registered to attend ISH1, to speak on Item7(c) - the draft DCO- progress of discussions with interested parties on detailed draft DCO matters. This was on the basis that the application dDCO did not contain protective provisions for the Trust. We see that agenda Item 5 of CAH1 includes "The current position in respect of sections 127 and 138, PA2008 concerning statutory undertakers and the progress with negotiations regarding protective provisions," which is more specific to the Trust's position. Accordingly, the applicant will provide an update, at that hearing item 5, that has been agreed with the Trust. In essence, recent progress in negotiations of the PPs means the Trust & applicant consider they are now closely aligned.

The Trust will continue to engage with the examination and its representatives and would be happy to attend any future hearing should the ExA request, for example if issues raised in written representations or responses to ExA questions require further exploration at a hearing.

Should you require any further information, please contact me.

Kind regards

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Sent: 30 April 2025 12:39

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Following correspondence yesterday with the applicant, it is no longer necessary for the Trust to attend CAH1 this week. To assist with your arrangements for the hearings, I'm emailing to let you know that Sophie Summers and I will not be attending.

The applicant has explained its general expectation that negotiations with leaseholders would flow from negotiations completed with freeholders. However, the applicant has now identified the need to engage with the Trust about its leasehold interests early and its land agents have made direct contact yesterday. The Trust had registered to attend CAH1 on the basis of its view that it would not be appropriate to acquire its interests compulsorily as it is willing to negotiate an agreement.

The Trust will continue to engage with the examination and its representatives would be happy to attend any future hearing should the ExA request, for example if issues raised in written representations or responses to ExA questions require further exploration at a hearing.

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