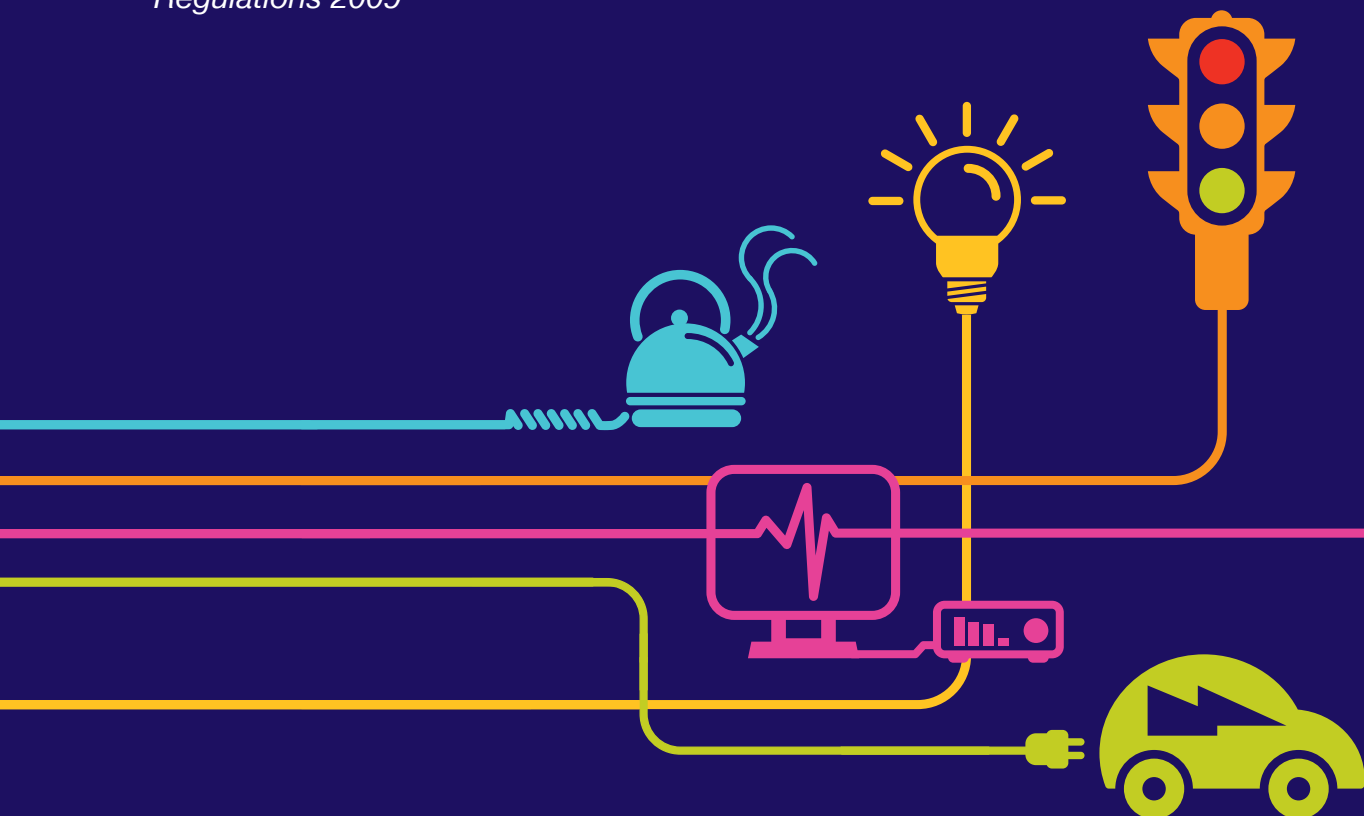


# Environmental Statement Advertisement for Consultation on Increased Pylon Height within Bristol Port, Avonmouth

Hinkley Point C Connection Project

*Regulation 5(2)(q) of the Infrastructure Planning  
(Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure)  
Regulations 2009*



PLANNING ACT 2008

THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2009

NATIONAL GRID ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION PLC

PROPOSED NATIONAL GRID (HINKLEY POINT C CONNECTION PROJECT) DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER

APPLICATION REFERENCE NO: EN020001

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT IN RELATION TO ALTERNATIVE HEIGHT OF PYLONS TO BE USED IN AREA OF BRISTOL PORT

On 28 May 2014 National Grid Electricity Transmission plc (“National Grid”) of 1-3 Strand, London, WC2N 5RH applied to the Secretary of State, c/o The Planning Inspectorate (“PINS”), for a development consent order (“DCO”) under the Planning Act 2008 (“the Application”). The DCO would authorise works to the national electricity transmission system between Hinkley Point in Somerset and Seabank near Avonmouth (“the Project”). The Project is required to provide sufficient transmission capacity to enable the connection of new electricity generation projects in the region including the consented Hinkley Point C nuclear power station that is being developed by EDF Energy. The Application was accepted for examination by PINS on 19 June 2014.

The Project is “EIA development” for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 as amended (“the EIA Regulations”). This means that the proposed works constitute development for which an Environmental Impact Assessment is required. Accordingly, the Application was accompanied by an Environmental Statement, containing information about the environmental effects of the Project.

National Grid has notified PINS that it requests that the Examining Authority appointed to examine the Application consider the possibility of an increase in height of the proposed 400kV lattice pylons LD109 to LD114 over the Bristol Port land in Avonmouth, Bristol City. The purpose of assessing the proposed increase in the height of the pylons is in order to achieve the 20.7m clearance beneath the proposed overhead line which the Bristol Port Company has requested.

National Grid is advertising the proposal to consider amending the Application in newspapers, on a non-statutory basis, but in the same manner as under Regulation 17 of the EIA Regulations.

Notice is hereby given that there is a proposal to increase in height the 400kV lattice pylons LD109 to LD114 in Avonmouth, Bristol City in order to achieve a 20.7m clearance. No new interests in land or new land parcels are affected by the proposal to amend the Application.

Comments are invited on the proposal to amend the Application as explained below.

Additional environmental information

In connection with the proposed amendment to the Application, National Grid submitted additional environmental information to PINS in the form of a document entitled “Increased Pylon Height within Bristol Port land in Avonmouth” and an additional plan.

The document reports National Grid’s review of the assessments reported in the submitted Environmental Statement to ensure any potential effects of the increased height of the 400kV lattice pylons LD109 to LD114 have been identified and assessed.

Full details of the proposed amendment to the Application can be found within the additional environmental information National Grid has submitted to PINS. This information will be published on the National Infrastructure pages of the Planning Portal website here: <http://infrastructure.planningportal.gov.uk/projects/south-west/hinkley-point-c-connection/>

Copies of the additional environmental information

A copy of the additional environmental information is available for inspection free of charge, **from Friday 5 June 2015 until Thursday 9 July 2015**, at the following locations and times set out below:

Location	Opening times
<b>North Somerset Council</b> Town Hall, Walliscote Grove Road, Weston-super-Mare, BS23 1UJ	Mondays to Fridays: 8:30am to 8pm Saturdays: 8:30am to 7pm Sundays: 10am to 7pm
<b>Sedgemoor District Council</b> Bridgwater House, King Square, Bridgwater, TA6 3AR	Mondays to Fridays: 8:45am to 5pm
<b>West Somerset Council</b> West Somerset House, Killick Way, Williton, Taunton, TA4 4QA	Mondays to Thursdays: 8:30am to 5pm Fridays: 8:30am to 4:30pm

Copies of the additional environmental information can be provided on request from [hinkleyconnection@nationalgrid.com](mailto:hinkleyconnection@nationalgrid.com) or by telephone 0800 377 7347. A reasonable copying charge will apply (up to a maximum of £100 for supplying a hard copy of the Documents, and £10 for supplying an electronic copy on electronic flash card). Copies of individual documents are also available on request. A reasonable charge may be applied.

Commenting on the proposed amendment to the Application

Should you wish to comment on the additional environmental information relating to the proposed amendment to the Application, any comments should be provided in writing to **Freepost H POINT CONNECTION** or by email to [hinkleyconnection@nationalgrid.com](mailto:hinkleyconnection@nationalgrid.com).

**Any comments must be received by National Grid no later than 17:00 on Thursday 9 July 2015.**

National Grid requests that comments provided relate to the proposed amendment to the Application, indicate who is making the comments, and provide an address to which any correspondence relating to the comments may be sent.

National Grid is required to make copies of all comments received available to PINS. Please note all comments will be made public. We will, however, request that personal details are not placed on the public record. Personal details will be held securely in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and will be used solely in connection with the examination of the Application.

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