

Ms Siân Evans
Case Manager
The Planning Inspectorate

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Your Reference: EN0210004

Dear Siân,

National Grid (Hinkley Point C Connection Project) Order 2016 (as amended)

National Grid Electricity Transmission (“**NGET**”) has been reviewing its access requirements for the transmission infrastructure constructed as part of the Hinkley Point C Connection Project, in advance of submitting a Change Application.

The Planning Inspectorate’s project page for the Change Application currently sets out that the application will be submitted in August 2026. However, I wanted to confirm that this date is no longer accurate as it is now unlikely that the application will be submitted before **January 2028**.

As NGET continues to refine its proposals, the programme for the Change Application remains under review. Once the programme has been finalised, NGET will provide the Inspectorate, and other key stakeholders, with an updated timetable well in advance of the application submission.

NGET will also ensure that an updated Programme Document is published on NGET’s [Change Application website](#) in accordance with the expectations set out in the Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects: 2024 Pre-application Prospectus.

NGET is aware of the changes introduced by the Planning and Infrastructure Act 2025, which amend the process for seeking changes to a Development Consent Order by consolidating material and non-material changes into a single consenting process. NGET awaits with interest the secondary legislation and published guidance required to implement these changes and will address any implications for its Change Application at the relevant time.

I hope this letter provides a helpful update on the application and would be grateful if you could update the submission date on the Inspectorate’s website to “January 2028”, in view of the above, until a firm date can be provided.

If you have any questions regarding the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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Lead Consents Officer