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BY EMAIL

The Planning Inspectorate  
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Dear Sir/Madam

**Application by Esso Petroleum Company Limited (Applicant) for an Order granting development consent for the Southampton to London Pipeline Project (Order)**  
**PINS Reference: EN070005**

We act for Network Rail Infrastructure Limited (**Network Rail**) in relation to this matter.

In its Written Questions published on 13 January 2020, the Examining Authority asked the following Question of Network Rail:

*DCO2.19 Schedule 2, Requirement 7 Network Rail*

*At the ISH on Wednesday 27 November 2019 [EV-006b] the Applicant was made aware of Network Rail's request to be a named consultation body.*

*In its D3 [REP3-010] the Applicant considers that this could be better addressed through protective provisions. Provide a response.*

As confirmed in its Written Representations **[REP2-075]**, Network Rail requests that Requirement 7 be amended to ensure that Network Rail shall (a) be consulted regarding the content of the Construction Traffic Management Plan (**CTMP**) and (b) approve the CTMP before it is implemented.

Network Rail considers that the consent and approval of the CTMP by Network Rail should be addressed via an amendment to Requirement 7 for ease of reference: this is the Requirement dealing with the approval of the CTMP by the relevant bodies and the Provisions for the benefit of Network Rail do not otherwise address the CTMP.

Discussions with the Applicant have been taking place regarding the impact of construction traffic on various level crossings. We understand that an Outline CTMP will be submitted to the Examining Authority by the Applicant at Deadline 4.

While discussions with the Applicant and consideration of the CTMP are ongoing, Network Rail can confirm that details regarding construction loads and the timing of deliveries over the relevant crossings will have to be taken into account by Network Rail during its approval of the CTMP and it may be necessary to specify in the Order the information that will be required from the Applicant in order for Network Rail to give its approval to the CTMP. Network Rail will discuss this further with the Applicant and hopes to agree with the Applicant any relevant amendments to the Order.

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We will keep the Examining Authority informed as to progress at the next appropriate Examination deadline.

Yours faithfully

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