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Dear Sirs,

We act on behalf of National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc ("**NGET**").

NGET made a number of written and oral submissions during the Examination of the H2 Teesside Project, most recently at Deadline 8 [**REP8-058**].

Whilst NGET's overall position remains unchanged, we note that the Applicant's Response to NGET's Deadline 8 Submissions [**REP9-022**] introduced new information of a material nature, particularly in respect of the draft Protective Provisions, which NGET has not yet had an opportunity to respond to.

Indeed, NGET considers the Applicant's proposed amended drafting to the Protective Provisions (as set out in Paragraph 1.6.7 of [**REP9-022**]) to be fundamentally flawed, notwithstanding and without prejudice to NGET's continued strong objection to, amongst other things, the Applicant's proposed "compromise solution" in respect of Saltholme Substation.

It is important, therefore, that: **(i)** the Examining Authority and the Secretary of State are made aware of NGET's significant concerns with the Applicant's submissions at Deadline 9, and **(ii)** as a matter of procedural fairness, NGET is afforded an opportunity to respond in writing to those Deadline 9 submissions.

With this in mind, NGET requests that the Examining Authority and/or the Secretary of State please:

- a. Exercise their discretion to allow NGET to make a further written submission in response to matters raised in the Applicant's Response to NGET's Deadline 8 Submissions [**REP9-022**]; and
- b. Publish a tracked change version of the Applicant's preferred form of Protective Provisions with NGET (noting that the Examination Library currently only appears to contain a clean version of the same at [**REP9-009**]).

We would be pleased to provide any further information which the Examining Authority and/or the Secretary of State may require in support of this request.

We look forward to hearing from you shortly.

Yours faithfully,

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