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Your Ref; **TR010022**/registration identification 20022802 Our Ref; WP27139/JES

30 July 2019

## RE; A38 DERBY JUNCTIONS PROJECT STATUTORY CONSULTATION

Dear Sirs,

As the appointed Regional Electricity Distribution Company for the area, the statutory undertaker for the purposes of legislation related to compulsory purchase, Western Power Distribution objects to the above scheme in order to protect its statutory obligation to distribute electricity in this specific area, since we have significant apparatus in the vicinity of the scheme, potentially up to 132,000 Volts, and other associated plant and equipment located on and in the land comprised in the scheme.

Given the likely impact of the scheme on the electricity network Western Power Distribution objects to the scheme on the following grounds;

- The scheme and accompanying documents do not fully detail our interests and the apparatus that would be affected by the implementation of the proposed scheme
- 2. The electricity cables that would be affected by the scheme are of vital importance to the electricity distribution in the Markeaton, Kedleston Road and Little Eaton areas of Derby. We have concerns as to the impact of the scheme on our electricity network and the need to ensure the security of the electricity supply in the area
- The proposed scheme does not adequately address how the electricity network referred to above would be protected both during the construction phase of the scheme and following its completion

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Western Power Distribution (West Midlands) plc.

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- 4. The information accompanying the scheme does not provide adequate information for Western Power Distribution to understand clearly the design and construction of the scheme and therefore the full extent of the potential operational implications
- 5. The information accompanying the scheme does not provide sufficient information for Western Power Distribution to understand how it would continue to fulfil its statutory responsibilities as an electricity distribution company, and to comply with the terms of its distribution licence, following the acquisition of its apparatus and interests
- 6. The proposed scheme does not presently make provision for replacement electricity cable routes to compensate for the cables which could be affected by the scheme. This could potentially result in a significant negative impact upon the distribution of electricity in the area
- 7. For the reasons stated above Western Power Distribution considers that its interests and apparatus cannot be acquired pursuant to the CPO without serious detriment to the carrying on of its undertaking

Please note that the above points constitute only Western Power Distribution initial grounds of objection and we reserve the right to expand or add to these in due course, including in respect of any legal interests or apparatus not presently identified or referred to in the scheme.

We require an Agreement with Highways England to ensure that suitable arrangements are put in place with regard to the protection, diversion, removal and replacement of the underground cables and other apparatus in a manner that is both safe and maintains security of supply, at Highways Englands cost. A draft Agreement was sent to Highways England in September, 2018, but they have not, as yet, responded with any comments on this Agreement.

Western Power Distribution therefore requests that the Orders are not confirmed and that a properly qualified inspector is appointed to hold an inquiry into the scheme.

Should you wish to discuss this matter please do not hesitate to contact me on my office number 01332 827408.

Yours faithfully

John Shelton Western Power Distribution

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Subject: Registration for project A38 Derby Junctions with the Planning Inspectorate

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Planning Act 2008: Receipt of Representation

Thank you for submitting your Representation on the application for development consent by Highways England for A38 Derby Junctions.

Your registration identification number is 20022802.

The next step is that Highways England must certify to the Secretary of State it has complied with its notification obligations. After this the Secretary of State will appoint the Examining Inspector(s) responsible for examining the application ('the Examining Authority'). The Examining Authority will then carry out an Initial Assessment of the Principal Issues arising on the application by 26 August 2019, which is 21 days after the last day for submitting representations.

Once the Initial Assessment of Principal Issues has been finalised the Examining Authority will write to you. That letter will, amongst other things:

- Confirm your status as an Interested Party (unless exceptionally your Representation has failed to comply with mandatory legal requirements);
- provide the name(s) of the Examining Inspector(s) appointed to be the Examining Authority;
- provide details about the Preliminary Meeting and invite you to attend it; and
- provide a draft timetable for the examination of the application.

The Preliminary Meeting is a procedural meeting which provides an opportunity for representations to be made about how the application should be examined. It will not deal with the merits of the Proposed Development. For further information about the Preliminary Meeting please read Advice Note 8.3: https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/advice-notes/

All Interested Parties will have further opportunities in the course of the Examination to make detailed Written Representations and oral representations at any hearings that are held. See Advice Note 8.4 and Advice Note 8.5 for further information: https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/advice-notes/

Please note that the representations received will be published on the project page of the National Infrastructure Planning website as soon as practicable after the Applicant has certified that it has complied with the notification obligations referred to above. Details published on our website will be restricted to your name and the text of your

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Yours sincerely

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Your Representation:

Western Power is the Regional Electricity Distribution Company for the Derby area, and a statutory undertaker in relation to electricity distribution. We contacted Highways England in September 2018 to put in place an Agreement to protect our assets and interests in relation to this scheme. A template Agreement was sent to them at that time. To date Highways England have not engaged with us at all in any attempt to complete this Agreement so we must object to the scheme and also contact our Minister responsible for our affairs, the Secretary of State for Business Energy and Industrial Strategy, to register our objection

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