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So the time is now 1140 times through zoom hearing. So we are now on to agenda item for statutory land issues. And the agenda says the examining authority will ask the applicant to summarise any outstanding matters arising from representations by statutory undertakers. Any such change to take or other relevant body in attendance wishing to speak in relation to an objection or issue raised that is relevant to the effects of the proposed developments on this undertaking, operators or land will be invited to put all submissions he acts. He acts he may ask questions of statutory undertakers where the relevant body and the applicants about matters arising from submissions. So Mr. Bassford, can I start by asking you please to provide an update on where you are in discussions with various statutory undertakers?

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Thank you, sir. The position in relation to the statutory undertakers is that in all cases, we have protective provisions and protective provisional agreement as appropriate in negotiation with the parties, and our objective is that they should be completed by the end of the examination. To run through the particularly key ones natural gas, we have some protective provisions, discussion, we're expecting those to be concluded that they're in relatively good shape northern gas networks. Similarly, we conclude an agreement with them in relation to the a one Berkeley to coalhouse scheme, however, is England, advised by my firm as a result, there is a relatively familiar looking document with them. And they've been very constructive in dealing with us. Northern power grid we are in negotiations with there are a number of matters to discuss in relation to the drop protection provisions, but we're dealing with them Northumbrian water limited. We again have a precedent agreement between highways England and Northumbrian water limited that is with them. And we're making progress on that. I believe that that deals with the main parties in whom with whom we're having negotiations, and I there may be others, but they will be of a lesser order. They will be at the operators as opposed to land interests sort of level. And we expect everything to be buttoned up by the end of the

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examination. It's this encouraging to hear Thank you. We was here. No, no, they haven't attended any of the hearings. Not surprising, really. But no, we haven't heard from them. We did have representation from Northern power grid at the last deadline at a 14 reference. And then a later submission at Oh 16, which only went up I think late yesterday. I don't know if you've seen both of those slightly confusing messages but confirming that they don't have any lands that is subject to acquisition, but they want to protect their position. So I think it sort of makes their position, oval clear.

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Look, check those. And if we have any comments, we will include those in the the summary note from the hearing. Thank you just not that easy to have as possible.

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Just to have them matters then Environment Agency. Did raise matter previously, deadline five submission talking about further discussions. And I think he probably updated as the last ca hearing on that. But is there anything further to say on the environment agency's position?

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I don't believe there is anything specific. I do do that this afternoon. As Carol Boults will be here to address you from the Environment Agency. She and I have spoken in advance of these hearings. So we might save that to just check in with her later on. If that's all right.

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Yes, that's fine. Thank you. And then there's also been progress made I think considered progress with Royal Mail. So further provision made in the outline, construction traffic management plan, which a new section 2.8 talks about side funds notification for Royal Mail.

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They indicated that if that went into the CT, MP, they'd be happy. I think it just needs tying up that they are content with that. Presumably you're, you're following that up? i?

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Yes. That's a matter of paperwork, sir. And we are having suggested to them, we will include it in the document. Could Thank you. So I don't I'm told by my virtual post it notes. That's the Environment Agency. They don't need protection provisions.

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Okay, thank you. Good. I didn't have any further questions about statutory undertakers. Is there anything anyone else wishes to raise under this matter?

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No, that's good then. So that concludes item four. And now I hand over to Mr. Pinto to deal with the remaining items on the agenda. Thank you. Thank you.

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Thank you, Mr. Gleeson. The following item on the agenda is review of issues and actions arising. So the examining authority will circulate any actions for the applicant, or any other interested parties as soon as possible after the closing of this specific set of hearings. And I believe that's all we would like to actually say at this point in time and this item, and I'll move on to any other matters. So before we draw this meeting to a close, are there any other matters that anyone would like to raise?

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It doesn't, I can't see any raised hands. So I just assumed that there are not any other matters that anyone else wishes raise. So thank you very much for that. So this leaves us to the last item, which is closure of hearing. So thank you very much for attending this hearing today. In sharing your views on

the application. We will consider what you have said in examining this application now. We now confirmed that compulsory acquisition hearing is closed at 1148. Thank you very much.