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Dear Planning Inspectorate Case Team

**TR010064 - M60/M62/M66 Simister Island Interchange
END OF EXAMINATION - 11 March 2025**

This submission is made by National Highways (the "Applicant") to provide a further update in accordance with the Applicant's Deadline 8 submissions and adhering to the examination timetable set out in the Rule 8 letter [PD-009] published by the Examining Authority (ExA) on 17 September 2024.

Protective Provisions

National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc (NGET)

The Applicant has reached agreement with National Grid Electricity Transmission PLC ("NGET") and is in the process of executing and concluding terms. The Applicant can confirm that the agreement reached means no changes are required to the Protective Provisions in favour of NGET in Part 4 of Schedule 9 of the Draft Development Consent Order [REP7-005]. NGET will provide confirmation in writing once the agreement has been formally completed.

Cadent Gas Limited

The Applicant and Cadent Gas Limited ("Cadent") have agreed the Protective Provisions included in Part 3 of Schedule 9 of the draft Development Consent Order submitted at Deadline 7 [REP7-005] ("draft DCO"). The Applicant and Cadent have engrossed a separate agreement between the parties and are coordinating final arrangements for completion of that agreement. As indicated in Cadent's Deadline 8 submissions, Cadent will provide confirmation in writing once the agreement has been formally completed.

United Utilities

As recorded in the submission made by United Utilities ("UU") at Deadline 8, the Applicant and UU have reached agreement and made arrangements to execute and conclude that agreement. The Applicant can confirm that the agreement reached means no changes are required to the Protective Provisions in favour of water and sewerage undertakers in Part 1 of Schedule 9 of the Draft Development Consent Order [REP7-005]. UU will provide confirmation in writing once the agreement has been formally completed.

Please confirm safe receipt and arrange for the Applicant's final submissions providing an update on protective provisions to be passed to the ExA and uploaded to the Planning Inspectorate website at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,



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