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Dear Planning Inspectorate Case Team

**Application for a development consent order for A46 Coventry Junctions (Walsgrave)**  
**(Reference: TR010066)**

**National Grid Electricity Distribution (East Midlands) plc & National Grid Telecoms Limited – Outstanding Objection**

We continue to act on behalf of National Grid Electricity Distribution (East Midlands) plc ("**NGED**") and National Grid Telecoms Limited ("**NG Telecoms**").

NGED remains the licensed distribution network operator under Section 6 Electricity Act 1989 and NG Telecoms remains the operator of an electronic communications network to which Schedule 3A of the Communications Act 2003 for the area in which the A46 Coventry Junctions (Walsgrave) Development Consent Order 202[X] (the "**Order**") is proposed to have effect and which was submitted by National Highways (the "**Applicant**").

We note that the Examining Authority is under a duty to complete the examination of the application by 12 September 2025. In light of this and, for the avoidance of doubt, we wanted to confirm that NGED's and NG Telecoms' objection to the project remains outstanding.

We submitted relevant representations on behalf of NGED and NG Telecoms' on 16 January 2025 (the "**Relevant Representations**"). These Relevant Representations detailed that this served as a holding objection to the Order until asset protection arrangements had been agreed between the parties. Only once NGED and NG Telecoms were satisfied that their networks would be protected with such arrangements in place, would the objections be withdrawn.

We (on behalf of NGED and NG Telecoms) and the Applicant's representatives have been liaising to agree two separate suitable forms of protective provisions along with a supplemental commercial side agreement (the "**Agreements**") for NGED and NG Telecoms. Currently, these are not in agreed form but there is active engagement on both these Agreements with the Applicant's representatives and we do hope that agreement can be reached prior to the Order being made.

Please let us know if we can provide any further information as to NGED's and NG Telecoms' position at this time.

Yours sincerely,

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