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## Dear Sirs

We act on behalf of National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc (National Grid) in relation to the Application for Development Consent Order (DCO) by York Potash Limited (Promoter) for the above Project.

In accordance with the timetable, we are providing this update to the Examining Authority ahead of the issue specific DCO hearing taking place on Friday 25 September 2015.

National Grid and the Promoter have been in constructive dialogue to agree the form of protective provisions to appear in the DCO, along with an agreement between the parties to regulate the protection of National Grid's assets. The agreement is in final form and it is hoped will be executed in the next fortnight.

The parties have agreed some changes to the protective provisions to appear in the DCO and the Promoter has confirmed that it will submit an amended form of DCO for the next deadline to take these changes into account. On the basis that the agreed, amended protective provisions for the DCO will be submitted and promoted by the Promoter, National Grid does not intend to appear at the hearing this Friday.

I would be grateful if you could provide this written representation to the Examining Authority in lieu of oral submission.

I have copied in the Promoter's solicitor for her information and to confirm that agreement is reached including the amended form DCO which will be submitted to the ExA.

As ever, in an abundance of caution, National Grid would like to reserve its right to appear at a future hearing or submit further representations if the agreed form of protective provisions are not submitted or supported by the Examining Authority and if the agreement between the parties does not complete, as anticipated, for any reason.

Yours faithfully

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