LATE SCOPING CONSULTATION RESPONSES

Consultation bodies have 28 days to respond with any comments, stating either the information that they consider should be included in the ES or that they do not have any comments.

Any responses received after the deadline will not be considered within the scoping opinion but are forwarded to the applicant for consideration in accordance with the policy set out in Advice Note 7: Environmental Impact Assessment, Screening and Scoping.

The following EIA scoping consultation responses were received after the consultation deadline specified under legislation and therefore did not form part of the Secretary of State's scoping opinion.

From:

To: Environmental Services;

Subject: YOUR REF: 130517_EN010060_180350 (ATT: Alan Ridley)

Date: 18 June 2013 12:17:36

Dear Alan Ridley,

Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulation 2009 SI 2263 (as amended) (the EIA Regulations) Proposed Progress Power Station (the project) Proposal By Progress Power Limited (PPL) (the applicant)

Thank you for your letter of 17 May 2013 about the above request for a scoping opinion under the EIA Regulations.

Firstly I would like to extend my sincere apologies for the delay in responding to the application. There has been a slight change in the roles internally and as such the above correspondence unfortunately was one which has slipped off our radar.

I note the due date for a response is on the 14 June 2013, however, I thought its best I provide you with a response.

The Highways Agency is an executive agency of the Department of Transport (DfT). We are responsible for operating, maintaining and improving England's motorway and all purpose trunk roads, collectively known as the Strategic Road Network (SRN), on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport. In respect of spatial planning and development control, we have a duty to safeguard the operation of the SRN as set out in DfT Circular 02/2007 "Planning and the Strategic Road Network". In the case of this proposal, our interest relates to the potential impact on the A14, which is a route of strategic national importance.

The submitted EIA Scoping Report appears to be comprehensive with regard to transport and accessibility and does not appear to have an immediate affect to our network. As such, I can confirm that the Highways Agency have no further comment at this stage.

Yours Sincerely

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