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Sent: 14 April 2021 11:21  
To: Butts, Hywel (ESNR-Planning)  
Cc: Randall Smith  
Subject: Biomass No.2 - Environmental Statement

Importance: High

Good morning Hywel,

I am writing further to your letter to PCML dated 2 February 2020 in which you confirmed the scope of the proposed voluntary retrospective EIA that is being considered for the Barry Biomass facility. Your letter confirmed that the topics that should be scoped into any such EIA are Air Quality, Climate Change, Health, Noise, Landscape and Waste with a 2016 baseline (i.e. construction start). Your letter also confirmed that ground conditions, flooding, drainage and ecology should be scoped out.

Despite noting the importance of scoping, your letter only referred to the WSP report for advice as to how the scoped-in topics should be addressed.

Since your letter we have sought to confirm with you the precise scope and methodology to be followed for each scoped-in topic. The steps we have taken include:

- \* video conference on the 17th March confirming the expected release of a letter to Biomass No.2 with regards to confirming the Environmental statement approach taken
- \* 9th March - Email sent containing our approach to visual impact and Noise - requesting feedback
- \* 22nd January ES scoping document approach provided for feedback
- \* 2nd March - requested updated via email, without response
- \* 5th March - requested update via email, without response
- \* 9th March - requested update via email, without response
- \* 16th March - requested update via email, without response
- \* 19th march - requested update via email, without response
- \* 25th march - requested update via email, without response

At our meeting on 17 March you advised that you would be writing to confirm the scope and methodology for the scoped-in topics. Although we have followed-up on numerous occasions, we have not heard further from you. I have personally made many attempts since the video call via email, phone and voicemail multiple times per week to no avail to follow up on the call and provided inputs to all requests received on our side.

The EIA has now been carried out and an Environmental Statement reporting on its findings has been prepared on a without prejudice basis using the scoping/methodologies we have provided to you previously for comment.

We will shortly be sending the ES to you. Unless we hear otherwise we will assume the approach is agreed.

Regards

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