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Date: 24 February 2010

Mr John Swift
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Dear Mr Swift,

Proposed Sustainable Energy Plant at Brunner Mond, Lostock, Northwich, Cheshire

Further to our recent discussions with Rob Pridham, we now enclose, in CD format, an application for consent for a Sustainable Energy Plant at the above location. Consent is sought under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 and Section 90 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

The application is made by joint applicants, Brunner Mond and E.ON Energy from Waste UK Limited, hereinafter referred to as the applicant. The development comprises a Sustainable Energy Plant (SEP) which will have a total gross maximum electrical capacity of approximately 60MWe.

Description

The proposed Sustainable Energy Plant will be located on land owned by Brunner Mond within an area formerly occupied by the Lostock Power Station. The proposed development comprises the following elements:

- A steam turbine/electrical generator a total gross maximum electricity capacity of up to 60 MWe gross (53 MWe net) capable of producing approximately 100 tonnes of steam per hour;
- A fuel reception hall;
- Boiler house and Switchgear building;
- Flue gas treatment building;
- Emissions Stacks;
- Air cooled condenser; and
- Ash handling facility.

Associated infrastructure related to the project includes:

- Onsite pipelines for the collection and distribution of steam;
- Transformer compound;
- Internal roads, parking, gatehouse, weighbridge, rail connection, water treatment fuel store, fencing, landscaping and offices; and
- Coke fuel storage area.



Proposed Building Dimensions

A total of four principle buildings are proposed on the site, the approximate dimensions of which are outlined in the table below.

Building	Height (m AOD)	Length (m)	Width (m)
Fuel Reception Hall	17	38	45
Fuel Storage Building	36	32	54
Boiler House and Switchgear Building	48	51	45
Flue Gas Treatment Building	43	56	35
Steam Turbine	24	35	22
Air Cooled Condenser	22	127	12

Form B (Type 1)

The Form B has been prepared, completed as required by the applicant in accordance with the requirements of Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989, and issued to the relevant planning authority (RPA) for completion. A copy is enclosed.

Documents

The consent application comprises the following:

- Planning Supporting Statement
- Environmental Statement
- Design and Access Statement
- A full set of drawings
- Health Impact Assessment
- Human Health Risk Assessment
- Consultation Statement
- Transport Assessment

The initial application submission is in CD format (three copies). As agreed, three no. hard copies of the submission will follow.

The following DECC consultees have been issued with a copy of the application package, to suit their needs, and copies of relevant covering letters are attached for information.

DECC Consultees	
Named Contact	Contact Destination
Cheshire West & Chester Council	Mr Jon Sutcliffe
Cheshire East	Mr Steve Molloy
British Waterways	Planning
Natural England	Natural England North West Region



	Government Team for Cheshire to Lancashire
Warrington Borough Council	Planning
Halton Borough Council	Dick Tregua
Environment Agency	Planning Liaison Team
Civil Aviation Authority	Mark Smailes
NATS/NERL	Sarah Allen
English Heritage	Graeme Ives
Extra Bodies suggested by DECC for the Application Submission	
Defence Estates	Louise Hunter
Government Office for the North West	Ian Garland
DEFRA	Melville Haggard

The following additional consultees have also been supplied with copies of the application package.

Additional Consultees	
Cheshire Brine Subsidence Compensation Board	Not Applicable
Central and Eastern Cheshire PCT	Dr Heather Grimbald Eston, Director of Public Health
Manchester Airport	Safeguarding Committee
Health & Safety Executive	Engineering Team (Preston Office)
Network Rail (Mineral/Waste Disposal Issues)	National Mining Engineer
Northwich Town Council	Mr Stephen Sharman
Rudheath Parish Council	Miss Fiona Penny

In all cases the consultees have been made aware that you will be writing to them setting out the specific deadlines for their comments in due course.

Application Cheque

Please find enclosed a cheque for £5,000 being the application fees for the proposed development.

Draft Public Notice

A Draft Public Notice has been prepared for the proposal and is attached for approval. Once approved, the notice will be distributed in one or more local newspapers and the London Gazette in accordance with section 4 of The Electricity (Applications for Consent) Regulations 1990.

The Red Line Area

Two plan's identifying the application boundary are attached.

Additional copies of the ES CD are available upon request for £10, and complete hard copies are available at a cost of £250.00. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.



Yours sincerely
For RPS

Enc:

- 3no. CD Roms containing the application Package (3 hard copies to follow)
- 2 no. copies of red line plans
- 1no. cheque for £5,000
- 1no. copy of the Form B (Type 1) document
- 1no. of the draft public notice
- A list of consultees to be contacted (copies of letters to follow)