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Your Ref: P19-2022 Belvoir Solar Farm
Our Ref: APP/Y2430/W/24/3340258
Date: 13 June 2024

Sent by email:

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Dear Ms Fortt

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2017 ('THE EIA REGULATIONS')

Appeal by: JBM Solar Projects 10 Ltd

Site Address: Fields OS 6700 6722 and 5200 Muston Lane, Easthorpe, Nottinghamshire NG13 9LD

We refer to the above appeal which commenced on 10 April 2024.

The development proposed consists of the Construction of a Solar Farm [49.9MW capacity] together with all Associated Work, Equipment and Necessary Infrastructure. By virtue of Regulation 5 of the EIA Regulations the development proposed is EIA development.

The content of the Environmental Statement (ES) accompanying the planning application that is the subject of the above appeal has been considered, having regard to Regulation 2(1) and Schedule 4 of the EIA Regulations.

Following examination of the ES, the Secretary of State notifies you by this letter, pursuant to Regulation 25 of the EIA Regulations, that, to comply with Schedule 4 of those regulations (Information for inclusion in environmental statements) the appellant is required to supply the following further information:

- A statement providing commentary on considered potential cumulative effects from other (non-solar farm) proposed or constructed developments within a suitable radius of the appeal site or a justification as to why other developments have not been considered. **Reason:** the submitted ES only refers to proposed or constructed solar farm developments within a 5km radius of the site in terms of potential cumulative effects within a 5km radius of the site.

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- A revised non-technical summary (NTS) incorporating all of the elements referred to above, if appropriate.

We would draw your attention to court cases which have stressed the need for all the relevant environmental information in an ES to be comprehensive and easily accessible.

You can access Regulation 25 of the EIA Regulations at the following direct link:
<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2017/571/regulation/25/made>

Although it is not a statutory requirement, in the interests of transparency and openness the appellant may wish to publicise the availability of the further information in accordance with Regulations 25(3), 25(4) and 25(8) of the EIA Regulations. Please can you advise the local planning authority if the further information is publicised.

We would be grateful if you could inform us, **within 2 weeks** of the date of this letter, how long you anticipate it will take to prepare this further information, so that an expected submission date can be identified. Please send your response for the attention of the Environmental Services Team using the contact details at the head of this letter.

In order to support the smooth facilitation of our service we strongly advise that you correspond via the email address at the head of this letter rather than by post.

A copy of this letter has been sent by email to Melton Borough Council and Bottesford Parish Council.

Yours sincerely

Jon Hawkins

JON HAWKINS
Associate EIA Advisor
(Signed with the authority of the Secretary of State)

Cc: Development Control – Melton Borough Council
Mrs L Flavin, Bottesford Parish Council

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