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PACE TECHNICAL NOTE ON GRID DETAIL

In light of the recent NESO Grid Reforms, our application at Tydd Solar Farm is uniquely well positioned to secure a grid connection ahead of 2030 - directly supporting the UK's Clean Power by 2030 targets. This puts the project in a technically advantageous position compared with many others currently in the queue.

PACE applied for a grid connection on 22nd October 2021, and then entered into a legally binding connection agreement with the Distribution Network Operator (DNO) on 13th January 2022.

Due to planning submission on 8th April 2024, validation 30th May 2024 and refusal on 3rd June 2025 our position in this queue can be guaranteed in the event the appeal is allowed. This is because it would enable application in a subsequent CMP434 window to obtain a Gate 2 offer for the Solar PV and BESS, even if zonal or GB permitted capacity is exceeded, as it aligns with how the project would have been treated had it successfully obtained planning consent in the first instance (before the closure of the CMP435 window).

The "Gate 2" offer is a grid connection offer that is awarded under new connections reform rules to projects deemed "ready" and "strategically aligned". Tydd has already been deemed ready through Land Rights (our option agreement with the landowner) and if the appeal is allowed Tydd will be deemed to be strategically aligned based on NESO's published (final) Gate 2 Criteria Methodology (section 6.2 , Successful Planning Appeals).

If the project obtained planning permission on the planning refusal dates, Tydd would have immediately qualified for Protection 2a, which guarantees a gate 2 offer. The special "appeal" instance is in place to protect schemes from local planning refusals.

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