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Form B (Type III)

Notes: This Form is for use in connection with an application for the Secretary of State for Energy's consent under **section 37** of the Electricity Act 1989 to install and keep installed above ground an electric line of a nominal voltage of less than 132 kilovolts. The Form should be sent **in triplicate** to each District/Borough Council in whose area the proposed development would be situated.

DETAILS OF APPLICANT
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PART 1

Central Networks East Application Number **EMP/899** Date **21st February 2011**
To the Chief Executive **South Holland District Council** Planning Department

Dear Sir

Electricity Act 1989

Application is being made to the Secretary of State for Energy for his consent to the development described overleaf. The Secretary of State will at the same time be requested to direct that planning permission for this development shall be deemed to be granted. The consent and the direction may be given subject to conditions.

To assist the Secretary of State to determine the application the District/Borough Council is requested to return to me two copies of this Form with Part I Certificate and Part II completed and signed with plans.

Department of the Environment Circular 14/90 (Welsh Office Circular 20/90) [Department of Energy Circular 1/90] describes this procedure and the reason for it.

Yours faithfully
For and on behalf of Central Networks East

Designation: **WAYLEAVES & PROPERTY DEPARTMENT**

CERTIFICATE

(To be completed by or on behalf of the District/Borough Council)

The District/Borough Council

(i) object on the grounds set out below/have no objection to make to the development described overleaf.*

(ii) request/do not request that a public inquiry be held pursuant to paragraph 2 of Schedule 8 to the Electricity Act 1989 before the Secretary of State reaches his decision on the application.*

Date Signed

* Delete as appropriate Designation

On behalf of the District/Borough Council

(Reasons for objections)

PARTICULARS OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AND REPRESENTATIONS
(To be completed by Central Networks East)

Application is being made:

(a) for consent under section 37 of the Electricity Act 1989 to install or keep installed an electric line above ground;

(b) for a direction under section 90(2) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 that planning permission for the proposed development be deemed to be granted.

1. Particulars of proposed development. (These particulars should be accompanied by such plans as may be necessary to enable the local planning authority to identify the land affected by the proposals and to appreciate the nature and extent of the proposed development and by a copy of the environment statement if the applicant has prepared one.)

To undertake the refurbishment of appox 11km of existing 11kv overhead line network that is supported on wood poles with a tolerance of no more than 30m either side of the route as shown on the attached plan number K.15493.

In the keeping with the Company's ongoing commitment to the resilience of its electricity network, it has become necessary to undertake maintenance work on again sections of 11kv overhead line (that is supported n wood poles) in the Donington/ Gosberton/ Wargate/Cow Bridge area. The section of network referred to are highlighted in orange on the attached plan (ref K.15493-b) with the overhead line indicated by a continuous red line and the poles by small black circles.

2. Particulars of any representations of objections which have been made to Central Networks East.

3. Particulars of the applicant's compliance with his duty under paragraph 1 of Schedule 9 to the Electricity Act 1989.

Please see attached.

Date 21.02.11 For and on behalf of Central Networks East

Signed [signature] Designation: **WAYLEAVES & PROPERTY**

Note: *This Part to be completed, dated and signed before submitting to the local planning authority*

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(Application dated)

PART II - INFORMATION AND OBSERVATION

(To be completed by the District/Borough Council)

Planning Reference Number _____

1. Names of interested parties consulted about the proposals with details of any observations received.

2. Particulars of any representations which have been made to the local planning authority objecting to the proposals.

3. Have any general or specific restrictions been imposed by any authority on development of the land affected by the proposed development?

4. Does the proposed development involve the demolition, alteration or extension of a building of special architectural or historic interest included in a list compiled or approved under section 1 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990?

5. Does the local planning authority agree that the proposed development should be approved by the Secretary of State for Energy as described? (If the answer is 'NO', please answer question 6.)

6. Would the local planning authority be prepared to agree that the proposed development should be approved subject to modifications or conditions? (If so, specify the modifications or conditions proposed and state whether they are acceptable to the applicant). (Note: the precise form of any modifications or conditions subject to which the consent or direction given is a matter for the Secretary of State, but he will have regard to the form of words used by the local planning authority.)

7. Does the local planning authority consider that the application should be accompanied by an environmental statement in accordance with the Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment)(England and Wales) Regulations 2000? (If so, please specify the particular points arising from the application which have caused the local planning authority to take this view).

Date Signed

Designation

On behalf of the Council
(Local planning authority for the area in which the proposed development is to be carried out.)

Two completed copies of this Form, both signed, should be returned to Central Networks East for submission by them to the Department of Energy.

The proposals include the replacement of stay-wires, items of pole mounted switchgear/plant and several decayed or suspect poles.
Whilst the majority of the poles to be changed will be replaced on either a like for like basis, or fall within plus 10% of the height of the existing pole & therefore fall within the remit of the 'Electricity Act 1989: Overhead Line (Exemption) (England & Wales) Regulations 2009', five of the poles fall outside the regulations. These pole positions are shown by means of green circles together with corresponding letters and pole numbers on the aforementioned map.

Details of the five poles are as follows:

	New Pole mtrs	Existing Pole mtrs	Difference in height above ground level (mtrs)	% Increase in height of new pole
Position 'A' (Pole No 407)	12.0	10.5	0.9	10.3
Position 'B' (Pole No 0614)	13.0	11.0	1.4	15.2
Position 'C' (Pole No 0615)	12.0	10.5	0.9	10.3
Position 'D' (Pole No 0619)	12.0	10.5	0.9	10.3
Position 'E' (Pole No 0938)	11.0	9.0	1.4	19.4

As can be seen from the above table, three of the poles to be replaced (at plus 10.3%) fall only marginally outside the remit of the aforementioned 'Exemption Regulations' on what are relatively small existing poles.
The two remaining poles at plus 15.2% and 19.4% respectively are required to overcome ground clearance issues, again on what are relatively small existing poles.

The poles referred to above are within the route of existing overhead lines, with three standing on arable land in an open situation against a backdrop of several large mature large trees and high roadside hedges. The two remaining poles, whilst closer to housing, are only marginally higher (plus 10.3%) that the existing poles and again are viewed against a backdrop of several large mature trees.

It is considered that, against the backdrop of the open situation with mature trees/hedgerows, the relatively small increase in height of the proposed poles together with the replacement of old plant with modern equipment does not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. Central Networks therefore considers that due regard has been made to it's obligations under Schedule 9 of the Electricity Act 1989.