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Dear Anna.

## Proposed decision on adding Enhancing Pre-existing Infrastructure Projects to National Grid Electricity Transmission's RIIO ET2 price control

I am writing in support of Ofgem's proposed decision on our funding request for additional projects under the Landscape Enhancement Initiative (LEI) scheme. These projects are in:

- Clwydian Range and Dee Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) •
- Dorset National Park
- Lake District National Park •
- New Forest National Park •
- Southdowns National Park

We are pleased that Ofgem's approval of these projects will help to mitigate the visual impact of the overhead lines in the National Parks and AONB listed above. We agree with your decision that these projects will also benefit the local wildlife and ecology by improving their natural habitats.

With regard to the proposed licence changes, we would welcome the discussion of this in further detail to better clarify the outputs. We also note that this funding request was made before the close of the RIIO-T1 price control period and therefore will be accounted for in the previous £500m (09/10 prices) funding provision.

We look forward to working with you on the next round of LEI and Visual Impact Provision submissions.

Yours sincerely

[by email]

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