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Dear James,

**Response from National Grid Electricity Transmission plc (NGET) to Ofgem's Notice dated 12 February 2024 for the statutory consultation on a proposal to modify the Special Conditions of the electricity transmission licence held by NGET to include Early Construction Funding (ECF) in respect of Yorkshire GREEN (NOA Code OPN2).**

This response is subsequent to NGET's ECF submission in respect of Yorkshire GREEN on 22 August 2023 and Ofgem's decision published on 9 February 2024 to carry out a statutory consultation to approve and amend ECF allowances for Yorkshire GREEN.

We have reviewed the proposed minor modification to the NGET licence and believe that this has been incorrectly presented in the Notice. In Appendix 1 of Special Condition 3.41 (on page 8 of the Notice as extracted below), against OPN2, the third column should read (as currently stated) "Have the values given in the ASTI Confidential Annex" but the fourth column should read "ECF" (as per the heading of the column) to signify that ECF has been awarded to this project as a result of this modification. Whilst the third column will point to the value of the allowance, the fourth column is intended to denote whether the allowance provided is ECF or Project Assessment (PA) allowance.

New 400 kV double circuit between the existing Norton to Osbaldwick circuit and Poppleton and relevant 275 kV upgrades (NOA Code: OPN2)	31 December 2028	<del>Have the values given in the ASTI Confidential Annex.</del>	<u>Have the values given in the ASTI Confidential Annex.</u>
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This approach (which is consistent with the approach taken in the confidential annex) is in accordance with paragraph 4.19 of the ASTI Guidance. As and when the project subsequently reaches the PA stage and ECF is then replaced with PA funding the reference to ECF will then be overwritten to read "PA" (in accordance with paragraph 4.70 of the Guidance).

We have also reviewed the ASTI confidential annex provided directly to us and can confirm we agree with the values specified.

Yours sincerely

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(by email)