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Dear James,

**Consultation on the eight SHET Early Construction Funding applications and corresponding proposed modification to the special condition 3.41 of the electricity transmission licence.**

This consultation response is from SP Transmission (SPT), which holds the transmission licence for south and central Scotland. SPT is part of SP Energy Networks (SPEN) and the wider Iberdrola group. We welcome the opportunity to respond to the consultation on the eight SHET Early Construction Funding applications.

We are supportive of Ofgem's minded-to position to grant the requested ECF, given it aligns with the activities of the ECF as set out within Special Licence condition 3.41 Accelerated Strategic Transmission Investment Re-opener and Price Control Deliverable term, Part C: ASTIA<sub>t</sub>. We welcome Ofgem's review of the ECF request across the ASTI portfolio.

Ofgem's support in accelerating transmission infrastructure investment and including access to ECF for TOs is a positive step forward to support the delivery of Net Zero. We welcome Ofgem's views on introducing Pre-construction (PCF) and ECF through the Major Projects regime in RIIO-T3. We would encourage Ofgem to expand the availability of such funding to a wider range of projects and re-openers.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss any of the points raised within this response.

Yours sincerely,



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