## LITTLE BARFORD POWER STATION VARIATION OF CONSENT UNDER SECTION 36C OF THE ELECTRICITY ACT 1989

## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM TO SECTION 36 CONSENT AND SECTION 90 (2ZA) DIRECTION VARIATIONS

In addition to the variations listed below, the Secretary of State has made a number of changes to: 1) delete or revise conditions relating to the commencement of development, construction, and commissioning of the existing power station; 2) update references to legislation, and statutory bodies; and 3) amend references to revised numbering of conditions

## Variation of the Section 36 Consent

<u>Paragraph 1</u> is varied to reflect the current title of the Secretary of State, the current operator of the generating station and a current plan of the site.

Paragraph 2 is amended to authorise the Development to operate at a capacity of up to 750MW.

<u>Paragraph 3</u> is amended to include details of the current Section 36 variation, and to include the requirement to safeguard land within the site for the introduction of carbon capture equipment and the requirement for periodic reporting of the carbon capture readiness status of the station.

## Variation of the Section 90 Direction

<u>Condition 1</u> is amended to reflect the fact that RWE Generation UK Plc has the benefit of the consent and update a reference to the red line boundary drawing.

<u>Condition 3</u> is replaced with new condition 2 to replicate within the deemed planning permission the limit on the capacity of the generating station imposed in the Section 36 consent.

<u>Condition 11</u> is amended to reflect the fact that the generating station was commissioned many years ago, but the rest of the text is retained as new condition 3 to ensure the ongoing retention of appropriate site access.

<u>Condition 17</u> is amended to reflect the fact that the noise monitoring programme has been in existence and operated for many years but is retained as new condition 4 as it relates to operational noise.

<u>Condition 5</u> has been inserted by the Secretary of State to ensure the ongoing monitoring and reporting on the potential for combined heat and power and, where viable opportunities for a combined heat and power scheme are identified, the development is 'CHP ready'. The inclusion of such a condition is now standard practice.