

NATIONAL SECURITY AND INVESTMENT ACT 2021 Publication of Notice of Final Order

Date: Monday 5 December 2022

- 1. The Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ("the Secretary of State") has made a final order pursuant to section 26 of the National Security and Investment Act 2021 ("the Act"), which comes into force on 5 December 2022.
- 2. The Parties who are subject to the order are:
 - i. China Power International Holding Limited ("the Acquirer").
 - ii. XRE Alpha Limited ("the Target").
- 3. The Acquirer will acquire a 90% shareholding in XRE Project Alpha Limited, the Hong Kong-based parent company of XRE Alpha Limited. The acquirer did not previously hold any shareholding in XRE Project Alpha Limited. This acquisition constitutes a trigger event under section 8(2)(c) of the Act.
- 4. The order has the effect of allowing the acquisition of shares in XRE Project Alpha Limited by the Acquirer subject to provisions designed to mitigate the risk to national security.
- 5. The Secretary of State considers that a risk to national security arises relating to:
 - i. The security of an important UK electricity asset; and
 - ii. The security of services provided to the UK National Grid.
- 6. The Secretary of State has imposed conditions upon the transaction which:
 - Restrict the management of power offtake and ancillary service provision to National Grid to operators approved by HMG; and
 - ii. Restrict the sharing of information by the operator of the site with the Acquirer outside of an inclusive list of permitted information.
- 7. The Secretary of State considers that the final order is necessary and proportionate to mitigate the risk to national security.