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Dear Mrs Eddy,

SCREENING DECISION BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER THE ELECTRICITY WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS 2017 ("THE 2017 REGULATIONS")

NAME OF SCHEME: PICK WICK INN, ST ISSEY 4366477

Screening decision for a prosed development ("the proposed development") to:

- Install a third wire for approximately 300m
- Install a three phase transformer
- Erect a lazy leg pole to support pole mounted transformer

The proposed development requires Section 37 consent under the Electricity Act 1989 and are subject to the 2017 Regulations.

The Secretary of State has considered the factors set out in Schedule 3 of the 2017 Regulations, together with the information within the supplied documentation ("the Application") by National Grid Electricity Distribution ("the Applicant") in relation to the impacts on the environment of the proposed development and the views of Cornwall Council ("the LPA"). In reaching his decision, the Secretary of State notes the following factors:

1. The proposed development does not fall within Schedule 1 (mandatory EIA);



- 2. The proposed development falls under Schedule 2 of the 2017 Regulations as the electricity line is to be installed above ground in a sensitive area.
- 3. The development is located within a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) Impact Risk Zone (IRZ). Natural England were consulted and made no comment as the development is not close to a Habitats site, SSSI or protected landscape. Natural England recommended that the applicant should seek the advice of the Cornwall Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) Unit.
- 4. The development is located within the Cornwall AONB. The Applicant consulted with the Cornwall Council AONB Unit and no objections were raised.

Taking account of the abovementioned factors and information received, the Secretary of State concludes that the proposed works are not EIA development under the 2017 Regulations and do not require a statutory EIA as they are unlikely to have significant effects on the environment due to their nature, location and size. A copy of this letter has been sent to the LPA for information.

Yours sincerely,

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