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Dear Mr Watson,

**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: MAKER BARRACKS 5057593 TW

Decision:

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.

Screening decision for a proposed development (“the proposed development”) to:

- Install a third wire on a 11kV, 195 metre overhead line
- Install 3 new poles



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Secretary of State considerations:

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 PLC (“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 proposed development falls within the Cornwall National Landscape.
4. The LPA’s National Landscape unit was also consulted, responding on 26 June 2024. They advised the applicant to proceed with caution regarding vegetation clearance to avoid making the overhead line corridor becoming more evident. The applicant agreed to follow their comments, and the LPA’s National Landscape unit confirmed no objection on 1 July 2024.
5. The LPA was consulted regarding the proposed development and noted no objection to the development on 30 August 2024 (planning reference: PA24/05785).

Yours sincerely,

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