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Dear Mrs Bartle,

**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: TROLVER CROFT, FEOCK, CORNWALL

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:

- Upgrade approximately 330 metres of an existing 11 kV overhead line to 3 wires
- Replace two poles and install a second pole to support Pole mounted transformer upgrade



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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 ("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 Cornwall National Landscape.
4. The Applicant consulted with the local National Landscape unit who confirmed in communications on 27 November 2024 that they had no objections to the proposed development "given the location and its back clothing by topography and vegetation in the principal wider views".
5. The Applicant consulted with the LPA who had no objection to the development on 6 January 2025 (planning reference: PA24/09065).
6. Natural England was consulted and responded on 5 February 2025 with no comments (reference: 501164).
7. The proposed development is a minor modification to an existing piece of infrastructure and is likely to have minimal visual impact on the National Landscape in which it is located.

Yours sincerely,

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