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Screening decision by the Secretary of State under The Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2017 ("The 2017 Regulations")

Our reference: S3700054

Your reference: CW52474 - Maisemore

Scheme name: CW52474 - Maisemore Solar

Date: 28th October 2026

Dear Mrs Bates,

The Secretary of State concludes that the proposed works are not an 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 their information.

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

- dismantle an existing tower and construct a replacement 9-arm tower together with two new gantry structures to support a new 132kv point of connection

Secretary of State's 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 **Tewkesbury Borough Council** ("the LPA"). In reaching their 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 132 kilovolts and therefore requires a mandatory screening.
3. The Applicant consulted with the LPA concluded that no public inquiry is required, no EIA is required and raised no objections to the proposed development. (reference: 26/00001/S37EA).
4. Public Notices regarding the proposed development were posted in local newspapers on 26/03/2026 & 02/04/2026. No representations were received regarding the proposed development by the deadline of 30/04/2026.

Yours sincerely,

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