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Cara Donovan
By Email

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Dear Cara

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
ASSESSMENT)(WALES) REGULATIONS 2017**

**PROPOSAL: EIA SCREENING OPINION FOR THE
CONSTRUCTION OF A 230MW BATTERY ENERGY
STORAGE SYSTEM (BESS)**

**SITE: Uskmouth Power Station, West Nash Road, Nash,
Newport, NP18 2BZ**

APPLICATION TYPE: Env Impact Screening

I refer to your Screening Report registered by the Local Planning Authority on 16th March 2022 and the associated request that the Local Planning Authority adopt a screening opinion under the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment)(Wales) Regulations 2017 for the above development.

With regard to Schedule 2, section 3a of the above mentioned Regulations I consider that the proposal does comprise development under this category on the basis that it is an industrial installation for the production of electricity and the proposal exceeds the threshold set out in the column to section 3a.

The development must be screened for Environmental Impact Assessment purposes and I have done so based upon the impacts of the development as a whole and the potential cumulative effects associated with it and other constructed or planned activities in the area.

In formulating this screening opinion I have had regard to the criteria set out in Schedule 3 of the Regulations and the information you have provided as part of your request along with comments expressed by internal consultees on this and associated enquiry. Having regard to the scale and nature of the development, the size and location of the development area and the existing use of the site I consider that the proposal is unlikely to result in significant adverse effect on the environment.

I confirm that an Environmental Statement will not be required to support a planning application submitted for the proposal described. This screening opinion was reached following consultation with various internal consultees and further to a written assessment and completion of a screening checklist, both of which I attach with this letter. All of these documents will be published on the Council's website and can be viewed under reference 22/0263.

Yours sincerely

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