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Proposed Network Rail (Cambridge South Infrastructure Enhancements) Order (TWAO)

I refer to above proposed Transport and Works Act Order. Cadent Gas Limited wishes to submit an objection to proposals until adequate Protective Provisions are agreed between parties to protect its existing and futre network within the project boundary.

Although Cadent does not object in principle to the project and understands the rationale for providing connectivity to the southern fringe of Cambridge and the biomedical campus, Cadent requires adequate protection for pipelines and associated apparatus located within the proposed TWAO limits.

Cadent has been working with Network Rail to discuss the possible interactions with its apparatus and having reviewed the deposited plans wishes to make the following comments:

In respect of existing Cadent infrastructure, Cadent will require appropriate protection for retained apparatus including compliance with relevant standards for works proposed within close proximity of its apparatus.

Cadent Infrastructure within or in close proximity to the development

Cadent has identified at this stage the following apparatus within the vicinity of the proposed works (please see supporting plans):

- High pressure (above 2 bar) gas pipelines and associated equipment
- Medium and low pressure gas pipelines and associated equipment

Should any diversions be required to facilitate the scheme, Cadent will require adequate notice to undertake feasibility studies and discussions should be started at the earliest opportunity. Please be aware that diversions for high pressure apparatus can take in excess of two years to plan and procure materials.

Where the Promoter intends to acquire land, extinguish rights, or interfere with any of Cadent's apparatus, Cadent will require appropriate protection and further discussion on the impact to its apparatus and rights including adequate Protective Provisions.

Where diversions are required to facilitate the scheme, it is essential that adequate temporary and permanent land take and land rights are included within the Order to enable works to proceed in line with any proposed programme of works and to provide appropriate rights for Cadent to access, maintain and protect apparatus in future.

Yours Faithfully

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