#### **SUNNICA LIMITED**

# SECTION 153 OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008 AND REGULATION 6 OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (CHANGES TO, AND REVOCATION OF, DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDERS) REGULATIONS 2011

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO MAKE A NON-MATERIAL CHANGE TO THE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER:

## THE SUNNICA ENERGY FARM ORDER 2024 (S.I. 2024/802) AS CORRECTED BY THE SUNNICA ENERGY FARM (CORRECTION) ORDER 2024 (S.I. 2024/1154)

Notice is hereby given that an application has been made by Sunnica Limited (company number 08826077) of registered office 2 Crossways Business Centre Bicester Road, Kingswood, Aylesbury, England, HP18 0RA (the "Applicant") to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero to make a non-material change to the Sunnica Energy Farm Order 2024 (as corrected by the Sunnica Energy Farm (Correction) Order 2024) (the "Order") under the Planning Act 2008 (the "NMC Application").

The Order includes provision authorising the construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of a generating station with a gross electrical output capacity of over 50MW, comprising ground mounted solar photovoltaic panel arrays; one or more battery energy storage systems with a gross storage capacity of over 50MW; connection to the UK electricity transmission system and other associated and ancillary development (the "Scheme"). Sunnica seeks to make a non-material change (the "NMC") to the Order.

### NMC – extending the Order limits to include the extension to the Existing Substation

The Order authorises the construction and operation of cabling to connect the Scheme to the national grid at the Burwell National Grid Substation (the "**Existing Substation**").

Following the original application for the Order, the Existing Substation has been extended to include an area of land (the "Additional Land") that is outside, but adjacent to, the Order limits. The Additional Land is limited in scope and is currently being used for hardstanding (i.e. it has already been built on).

Following discussions with National Grid Electricity Transmission plc ("**NGET**"), the owner and operator of the Existing Substation (including the Additional Land), Sunnica is proposing to change the proposed location for the cabling to connect the Scheme to the Existing Substation to instead be located within the Additional Land. All land rights in relation to this cabling will continue to require agreement between Sunnica and NGET.

The focus of the NMC is therefore to amend the Order limits to include the Additional Land (which is only approximately 2 hectares in size and comprises previously developed land), via updates to the corresponding plans and documents, to facilitate this re-location of the cabling. This requires a small extension to Work No. 4 to cover the Additional Land, which does not give rise to any new or materially different environmental effects to those originally assessed as part of the application for the Order (given the area is currently being used for hardstanding). Further, no powers (including in relation to compulsory acquisition) are being sought by Sunnica over the Additional Land.

The change to the Order that comprises the NMC is simply to amend the references to the corresponding plans and documents in Schedule 10 (Documents and plans to be certified) of the Order.

The NMC proposed to the Order by Sunnica is necessary for the reasons set out above. The NMC will not give rise to any materially new or materially different environmental effects to those originally

assessed as part of the application for the Order, nor would it require additional compulsory acquisition of land, nor would it have new or different effects on local residents or business or any additional implications in respect of habitats regulation assessment; therefore, Sunnica considers that the NMC is non-material in nature.

A copy of the NMC Application and its accompanying documents are available for inspection, free of charge, via the Planning Inspectorate's website at the below address until at least the end of the consultation period referred to below:

Planning Inspectorate website (documents tab):

https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010106/documents

If you require a hard copy of the NMC Application and its accompanying documents (for example because you do not have access to a computer and are unable to view the documents on PINS' website), you can request hard copies by contacting the Applicant at info@sunnica.co.uk or on 0808 168 7925. Each hard copy is available at the cost of £25 per copy.

Any representation about the NMC Application must be made by email to: Sunnica@planninginspectorate.gov.uk, or in writing to:

National Infrastructure Planning, the Planning Inspectorate, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Bristol, BS1 6PN.

Please quote reference EN010106 on any correspondence. Consultation responses will be published on the relevant project page of the National Infrastructure Planning website.

Please note that representations must be received by the Planning Inspectorate by 11.59pm on 16 January 2026.

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