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THE NATIONAL GRID ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION PLC (PITSMOOR-WINCOBANK-TEMPLEBOROUGH 275 KV REPLACEMENT SCHEME) COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER 2023 ("the Order)

OBJECTION OF SOUTH YORKSHIRE MAYORAL COMBINED AUTHORITY ("SYMCA") CONCERNING PLOTS 5-01, 5-01a, 5-04, 5-19, 5-24 AND 5-40

Objections are made on the following basis;

Plots 5-01 and 5-01a

SYMCA is the freehold owner of this land which comprises a public footpath that gives access from Tyler Street to the railway station at Meadowhall and an area of well-established scrub land. There is an existing legal easement between SYMCA and the promoter of the Order which enables decommissioning of existing cables and the ability to either remove the cables or retain the decommissioned cables in situ. The promoter has advised, however, depending on how the design of the project proceeds and the extent to which the adjoining cables through the operational railway land are removed, that there may be a requirement to instal cable drainage pits at certain locations.

Negotiations are now progressing to vary the existing easement to allow the flexibility for this requirement, and potentially to undertake additional works to facilitate the removal of the cables. If terms are agreed to vary the rights voluntarily, then the objection relating to these plots will be withdrawn once the variation of easement has been completed.

Plot 5-04

SYMCA is occupier of part of this land which comprises land which is part of the rail station car park area. SYMCA is currently consulting Network Rail to ensure that all operational interests are suitably protected and is awaiting a response. If the outcome of those discussions is satisfactory this objection will be withdrawn.

Plots 5-19, 5-24 and 5-40

These plots include land occupied by SYMCA and is land either upon which the South Yorkshire Supertram system operates or where it is in close proximity to that operation.

SYMCA is now in discussion with the promoter to ensure that the operation, safety and integrity of the tram system is sufficiently protected both during the proposed construction phase and in the future with regards access and maintenance.

The South Yorkshire Supertram system is operated on behalf of SYMCA by South Yorkshire Supertram Limited (SYSL), trading as Stagecoach Supertram. SYSL have specific requirements for parities working on or close to the tram system which must be followed; this ensures the works can be completed in a safe manner, avoiding risks to both the party carrying out the works and users of the tram system. The promoter will need to agree to follow such processes outlined by SYSL and any future operator during the construction period and into the future with regards access, maintenance and renewal/decommissioning. If suitable assurances and/or terms can be agreed voluntarily then this objection can be withdrawn.

SIGNED ON 20TH DECEMBER 2023 BY LORRAINE GANDY (SENIOR SOLICITOR, SOUTH YORKSHIRE MAYORAL COMBINED AUTHORITY)