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Our ref: WX/2020/134578/03-L01
Your ref: WP/20/00692/DCC
Date: 27 September 2021

Dear Mr Lynham

ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT ADDENDUM - CONSTRUCTION OF AN ENERGY RECOVERY FACILITY WITH ANCILLARY BUILDINGS AND WORKS INCLUDING ADMINISTRATIVE FACILITIES, GATEHOUSE AND WEIGHBRIDGE, PARKING AND CIRCULATION AREAS, CABLE ROUTES TO SHIP BERTHS AND EXISTING OFF-SITE ELECTRICAL SUB-STATION, WITH SITE ACCESS THROUGH PORTLAND PORT FROM CASTLETOWN. PORTLAND PORT, CASTLETOWN, DORSET.

Thank you for consulting the Environment Agency on the additional information provided for the Environmental Statement for the above planning application.

We continue to have **no objection** to the proposed development subject to the **conditions and informatives** previously requested in our letter dated 2 November 2020 being included in any planning permission granted. The comments in our previous letter are still relevant, however, we provide a few additional points in the paragraphs below.

Contamination

We have been consulted on the Environmental Statement in relation to the potential for historic contamination and the risk to controlled waters. In relation to this issue a brief statement is made in the main body of text of the Environmental Statement document that Arup undertook a 'ground conditions assessment' previously and that this was deemed sufficient. There does not appear to be a contaminated land assessment within the appendices to review to verify this.

On the basis that the applicant has not provided any information about the contaminative status of the site, we are unable to agree that the information provided is adequate. Please direct us to such a report if we have overlooked it.

We trust that the planning conditions previously recommended by us will be appended to the planning consent for this site, in the event that permission is granted. To enable

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the applicant to discharge those conditions they will need to provide sufficient information which, as we say, is currently lacking. As previously stated we will object to this application if the contaminated land conditions that we have requested are not appended to any consent granted for this site.

Flood Risk

We have reviewed the submitted Flood Risk Assessment Addendum (prepared by awp, August 2021; Initial Issue dated 29th July 2021) and note that the outstanding issues relate to surface water management and as such advise that you consult the Lead Local Flood Authority (Dorset Council) in this regard.

Environmental Permitting

We responded to the initial planning consultation on the 2 November 2020. We will be in contact with the applicant to ensure that where any of the information submitted in response to Dorset Council's Regulation 25 letter is also considered relevant for the Environment Agency's determination of the environmental permit application, then this information is provided by the applicant to supplement their original permit application.

Please can you send us a copy of the decision notice issued for this application for our records.

Please quote our reference on any future correspondence regarding this matter.

Please contact us if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

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(On behalf of Mr Matthew Pearce)

