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Attention: Mr Mike Middleton

Dear Sirs,

**Low Carbon Electricity Generation Technologies
Independent Peer Review of
Power Plant Siting Study Project**

Regarding the Project Review Stage 3 and Work Package WP6, Review Outcome Letter (Deliverable D6), we are pleased to provide the following as required. It is noted that this is the third time that Mott MacDonald Ltd has reviewed the ETI Low Carbon Electricity Generation Technologies Power Plant Siting Study project report; March for phase 1, July for the final reports including scope changes from phases 1 and 2; September for the same final reports incorporating any amendments or clarifications in response to peer review.

1. Confirmation of the Scope of the Stage 3 Review

We confirm that the Independent Peer Review completed by Mott MacDonald under the Project Review Stage 2, Work Package 3, considered the following reports prepared for the Energy Technologies Institute by their appointed consultant.

- Low Carbon Electricity Generation Technologies: Power Plant Siting Study. Project Summary Report; Rev 03 Final, 21 August 2015.
- Low Carbon Electricity Generation Technologies: Power Plant Siting Study. Project Technical Report; Rev 03 Final, 21 August 2015.
- Low Carbon Electricity Generation Technologies: Power Plant Siting Study. Project Technical Report Appendices; Rev 02 Final, 21 August 2015.

2. Confirmation of individuals (Consultants Personnel) involved in the Project Review Stage 3.

The breadth of the Mott MacDonald peer review team is such that the whole of the ETI Low Carbon Electricity Generation Technologies Power Plant Siting Study project reports are within the scope of these peer reviews. We are pleased to confirm that the following individuals were involved in the Project Review Stage 3, Work Package 3.

- Ian Baird; Project Director; Independent Reviewer.
- Douglas Rae; Project Co-ordination.
- James Gallacher; Independent Reviewer, all sections.
- Andrew Day; Independent Reviewer, environmental aspects.

3. Independent Peer Review Appendices.

In line with guidance from the ETI our comments have been categorised as Category 1, Category 2 and Category 3 matters arising from the peer review. We are pleased to include these comments as an attachment to the Outcome Letter One (1) Appendix.

- Appendix 1, Category 1 matters: a list of Stage 1 Review comments / questions / observations which undermine the conclusions of the Phase 1 Project Report by significantly challenging the scope, assumptions, exclusions, methodologies and analyses which support the conclusions of the Phase 1 Project Report.
- Appendix 2, Category 2 matters: a list of Stage 1 Review comments / questions / observations which do not undermine the validity of the conclusions of the Phase 1 Project Report but which may challenge parts of the Phase 1 Project Report in terms of its scope, assumptions, exclusions, methodologies and analyses which support the conclusions of the Phase 1 Project Report.
- Appendix 3, Category 3 matters: a list of Stage 1 Review comments / questions / observations which do not undermine the validity of the conclusions of the Phase 1 Project Report and which require no amendment or clarification within the Phase 1 Project Report against the scope, assumptions, exclusions, methodologies and analyses which support the conclusions of the Phase 1 Project Report.

4. Summary of Category 1 and Category 2 matters; new comments / questions / observations arising.

- I. We have reviewed the Atkins response to our deliverable D4 and can confirm that no new Category 1, Category 2 or Category 3 comments have been raised. Clarifications remain in relation to two Category 2 comments raised in deliverable D4. The details of the remaining comments are in the attached Appendix.

5. Project Summary Report.

We confirm that the description and conclusion of the Project Summary Report is supported by the scope, analysis, and conclusions of the Project Technical Report.

We trust the above comments, questions and observations developed under the Independent Peer Review are supportive of the Low Carbon Electricity Generation Technologies studies and look forward to offering our continued commitment to the Energy Technologies Institute programme

Yours faithfully,
For Mott MacDonald Limited



Ian Baird, Divisional Director.