Tillbridge Solar Limited

NOTICE PUBLICISING PROPOSED CHANGES TO A PROPOSED APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER FOLLOWING STATUTORY CONSULTATION TARGETED CONSULTATION – PLANNING ACT 2008

14 December 2023 to 25 January 2024

Notice is hereby given that Tillbridge Solar Limited of 111 Park Street, Mayfair, London, United Kingdom, W1K 7JF (the "Applicant") is carrying out a further stage of targeted consultation in relation to its proposal to make a number of minor changes to the proposed Order Limits for the development consent order (DCO) for the Tillbridge Solar Project (the "Scheme"). The Applicant anticipates making an application (the "Application") to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero under Section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended) (the "Act") for the DCO defined above in early 2024.

Description of the Scheme and its location

- 2) The Scheme will comprise the construction, operation (including maintenance) and decommissioning of ground-mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) arrays and associated development to generate electricity (the Principal Site). The associated development includes but is not limited to: access provision; a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS); underground cabling between the different areas of solar PV arrays; and areas of landscaping and biodiversity enhancement. The Scheme will export and import electricity to the national electricity transmission network. The Scheme also includes a 400kV underground Cable Route Corridor of approximately 16km in length connecting the Principal Site to the national electricity transmission network at the National Grid Cottam Substation.
- 3) The majority of the Scheme is located within the administrative boundary of West Lindsey District Council and Lincolnshire County Council, with the grid connection infrastructure also located within the administrative boundary of Bassetlaw District Council and Nottinghamshire County Council.

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- 4) Following statutory consultation on the Scheme between 30 May and 11 July 2023, the Applicant is carrying out a further stage of targeted consultation on proposals for the Scheme in relation to 20 minor changes to the indicative Order Limits. In addition to a reduction in the extent of the Order limits in some places, these changes are limited to:
 - the inclusion of additional land within adopted highways to enable access for construction
 - the inclusion of additional land to ensure the delivery of a shared cable route corridor to minimise impacts with other developers; and
 - the adjustment of Order limits to align with land ownership information.
- 5) These changes are a result of ongoing design evolution and refinement informed by comments received during the previous statutory consultation, reviewing the engineering requirements for the Scheme and working collaboratively with developers of other solar nationally significant infrastructure projects (NSIPs) in the area. This ongoing collaboration with other developers will help to minimise effects and impacts with respect to the cable route corridor.

Consultation information

- 6) Targeted consultation on the Scheme will take place between **14 December 2023 and 25 January 2024.**
- 7) Information about the consultation, including all relevant documentation (such plans and maps showing the nature and location of the proposed changes), will be provided on the Scheme website

- (<u>www.tillbridgesolar.com</u>) on **14 December 2023.** Consultation documents will include a 'Targeted Consultation Brochure' providing a written and visual summary of each individual location change and individual location plans for each change.
- 8) Copies of the Targeted Consultation Brochure and individual location plans can be requested free of charge from the Applicant by phone (0800 046 9643) or email at info@tillbridgesolar.com. Special requests for documents (such as in large print, audio or Braille format, or alternative requests) will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Providing feedback

- 9) Any person may comment on the proposed changes to the extent of the land within the proposed Order limits.
- 10) Any response or representation in respect of the proposed Application must (i) be received by the Applicant on or before 11:59pm on 25 January 2024, (ii) be made in writing, (iii) state the grounds of the response or representation, (iv) indicate who is making the response or representation, and (v) give an address to which correspondence relating to the response or representation may be sent. If you would prefer your comments to be anonymous, please provide your postcode only.
- 11) A response can be made by email (<u>info@tillbridgesolar.com</u>) or in writing by post **FREEPOST TILLBRIDGE SOLAR** (please write this in capitals, you do not need a stamp).
- 12) Any comments received as part of this consultation will be considered by the Applicant and any of its appointed agents with respect to the further development of the Scheme and Application. Responses will be considered and summarised as part of a consultation report submitted with the Application, which will be one of the factors taken into consideration by the Secretary of State when deciding whether the Application can be accepted for examination. Therefore, in providing any comment, it should be borne in mind that the substance of it may be communicated to others as part of that consultation report.
- 13) However, we will request that personal details are not placed on the public record. Personal details will be held securely in accordance with the relevant data protection legislation and will be used solely in connection with the consultation process and the development of this Scheme and, except as noted above, will not be disclosed to any third parties. A copy of the Scheme's Privacy Policy can be found at: https://tillbridgesolar.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Tillbridge-Solar-Privacy-Policy.pdf
- 14) For further information or queries, including in respect of the consultation documents, plans and maps, please call 0800 046 9643 (call free of charge); write to FREEPOST TILLBRIDGE SOLAR (please write this in capitals, you do not need a stamp); email info@tillbridgesolar.com or visit www.tillbridgesolar.com.