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Dear Keren.

Consultation on North West Wales (PTC1 and PTNO) Early Construction Funding and proposed modification to the special conditions of the electricity transmission licence

This consultation response is from SP Transmission (SPT), which holds the transmission licence for the south and central Scotland. SPT is part of SP Energy Networks (SPEN) and the wider Iberdrola group. We welcome the opportunity to respond to the consultation on North West Wales (PTC1 and PTNO) Early Construction Funding (ECF) and connected licence modification.

We are supportive of Ofgem's minded to position to grant the requested ECF request given it aligns with the activities of the ECF as set out within Special Licence condition 3.41 Accelerated Strategic Transmission Investment Re-opener and Price Control Deliverable term, Part C: ASTIA_t.

Ofgem's support in accelerating transmission infrastructure investment and including access to ECF for TOs is a positive step forward to support the delivery of Net Zero. We welcome Ofgem's views on introducing Pre-construction (PCF) and ECF through the Major Projects regime in RIIO-T3. We would encourage Ofgem to expand the availability of such funding to a wider range of projects and reopeners.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss any of the points raised within this response.

Yours sincerely,

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