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To Whom It May Concern

Cotswolds Visual Impact Provision (VIP) project Forestry Dedication - Title Number GR240043

Thank you for the information regarding the impact from the proposed underground cable route which will pass through land subject to a forestry dedication.

I understand that one dedication agreements will be affected if the current plans are implemented and that the corridor of land above the cable will no longer be suitable for the growing of timber or other forest products. You are seeking the Commissioners' consent for this under the provision in Part I of the dedication deed dated 31 October 1977.

On behalf of the Forestry Commissioners I grant consent for the land within the red line boundary and adjacent to the proposed cable route, identified in Drawing No 21006866_PLN_INFO_10.1_A dated 22-02-2024, (attached) or the land, within the Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) under EA 1989 s.63 and indicated in purple on Drawing No 21006866_PLN_OP_716.1 (attached) and being a similar area to no longer be used for the growing of timber or other forest products for so long as the cable remains in place. However, the Commissioners' expectation is that this land should remain a woodland edge habitat comprising a mixture of open ground and shallow rooted shrubs and not be used for agricultural purposes.

Yours sincerely

Richard Barker

Secretary to the Commissioners Commissioners' Office

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