Application for Development Consent for the Tees CCPP Project Case Ref: EN010082

Examining Authority's Note of Unaccompanied Inspection of Sites Monday 9 April 2018

Particulars of the Inspection

The Inspection was undertaken by the Examining Authority (ExA), Examining Inspector Mr David Richards, together with Tracey Williams and Ewa Sherman of the Planning Inspectorate.

Weather conditions were reasonably fine with good visibility of the main features of the surrounding landscape and built environment.

The visit was made by car and on foot. The site was approached by car from the direction of Middlesbrough along the A66, via the A5103 Greystone Road, and the A174 to the village of Lazenby.

The ExA visited a number of locations in Lazenby including those Representative Viewpoint Locations identified in Figure 11.7 of the Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment (Chapter 11 of the Environmental Statement) where views of the Application site could be obtained.

The ExA then drove to the site at 1630, and was met by a representative of site security who allowed the ExA onto the site, but did not participate in any way in the inspection.

The ExA drove into the site and observed the condition and appearance of the site and surroundings, including the proposed gas and electricity connections, substations, the acoustic wall to the south, the neighbouring Ensus Plant industrial installation to the east and Wilton Industrial Area to the north, together with other installations lying to the north-west. The visual relationship of the site with the scarp of Lazenby Bank to the south and the prominent feature of Eston Nab was clearly apparent from the site and the surrounding area.

The ExA then drove south-west along the A1085 trunk road to the junction with Cargo Fleet Lane, returning along the B1380 through the village of Eston to the roundabout at Lackenby, observing the nature of development and heritage assets along the route.

The ExA then drove to Redcar and Warrenby, and then returned to Middlesbrough along the A1085, passing the Redcar Steelworks site and Wilton Industrial Area, and through Grangetown.

The visit concluded at approximately 6:00pm.