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Dear Sir / Madam

**London Borough of Merton: Sites and Policies Plan, submission version
SUBMISSION ON BEHALF OF NATIONAL GRID**

National Grid has appointed AMEC to review and respond to development plan consultations on its behalf. We are instructed by our client to submit the following representation with regards to the current consultation on the above document.

Specific Comments

Thank you for your consultation on the Sites and Policies Plan, submission version.

In our previous letter dated 19 February 2013 in response to the draft Sites and Policies DPD, National Grid highlighted the following sites which are crossed or in close proximity to National Grid assets.

Site 37: Wimbledon Greyhound Station
Site 50: Waterside (now omitted)
Site 59: Corner Baltic Close and High Street Colliers Wood
Site 75: Former Mitcham Gas Works
Site 78: 191-193 Western Road.

National Grid appreciates the consideration of issues highlighted in our previous consultation in relation to sites 37, 50, 59, 75 and 78. We note that site 50 appears to have been omitted from the Submission Plan, if this is not the case please advise.

In terms of the sites 37, 59, 75 and 78 we acknowledge and support the reference to the relevant National Grid assets and associated issues stated in the site proposal briefs for sites 37, 59 and 75. It is however noted that the site proposal brief for site 78 does not contain any reference to the underground cable which runs along the front boundary to Western Road. We therefore request that the site proposal brief makes reference to the presence of this cable as has been done for site 59.

For the sake of completeness we enclose our previous comments submitted in February 2013.

Should you require any further information or would like to discuss any of the above matters in further details please don't hesitate to contact AMEC on the details provided.

Further Advice

National Grid is happy to provide advice and guidance to the Council concerning our networks. If we can be of any assistance to you in providing informal comments in confidence during your policy development, please do not hesitate to contact us. In addition the following publications are available from the National Grid website or by contacting us at the address overleaf:

- National Grid's commitments when undertaking works in the UK - our stakeholder, community and amenity policy;
- specification for Safe Working in the Vicinity of National Grid High Pressure Gas Pipelines and Associated Installations - Requirements for Third Parties; and
- A sense of place - design guidelines for development near high voltage overhead lines.

Please remember to consult National Grid on any Development Plan Document (DPD) or site-specific proposals that could affect our infrastructure. We would be grateful if you could add our details shown below to your consultation database:

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I hope the above information is useful. If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

[via email]

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