

PLANNING ACT 2008

CORY DECARBONISATION PROJECT DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER

PLANNING INSPECTORATE REFERENCE: EN010128

NOTICE PUBLICISING CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER APPLICATION

Cory Environmental Holdings Limited ('Cory') of 10 Dominion Street, Floor 5, London, EC2M 2EF is consulting on its proposals to make changes to its application for a Development Consent Order for the Cory Decarbonisation Project (the 'Application') between 20 September and 20 October 2024. The Application (Reference EN010128) was accepted for examination by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero ('Secretary of State') under delegated powers on 18 April 2024.

On 22 November 2024 Cory notified the Examining Authority appointed by the Secretary of State that it was considering making a request to make changes to the Application. Cory is holding a consultation on the proposed changes. This notice explains the changes and how you can take part in consultation on them.

Summary of the changes sought

Since submission, the Applicant is continuing to undertake design development to ensure that the Proposed Scheme has sufficient flexibility and is deliverable as an efficient and effective project. This design development has identified a series of refinements that will enable optimisation of the Proposed Scheme achieved through allowing for greater flexibility in the location within the site and parameters of some elements of the Proposed Scheme.

This work has led to the Applicant proposing the following changes:

- a) inclusion of electrically driven fans onto the top of other equipment as part of the cooling system for the proposed Carbon Capture Facility (CCF);
- b) relocation of the Stack(s) from the top of the Absorber Columns(s) to base level, either connected with, or totally separate from (though directly adjacent to) the Absorber Columns(s);
- c) an increase in the maximum height of the 'Regenerator';
- d) exclusion of the Environment Agency's 'Great Breach Pumping Station' from the Order limits;
- e) more flexibility in where chemical storage can take place within the Order limits; and
- f) minor changes in the description of development to provide certainty that all system processes can be brought forward.

These are intended to be proposed as changes to the submitted application (the 'Change').

Summary of the Proposed Scheme

The Proposed Scheme proposes to install carbon capture technology to both the Applicant's energy from waste facilities, Riverside 1 and Riverside 2, located at Norman Road, Belvedere Kent DA17 6JY. The Proposed Scheme also includes a new Proposed Jetty and the pipe and duct corridor routing/connections between that Jetty and the carbon capture plant.

In summary, the development for which the Application is seeking development consent includes:

- a) a Carbon Capture Facility, comprising up to two plants designed to capture some 1.3 million tonnes (1.3Mt) of carbon dioxide (CO₂) per annum;

- b) a proposed new Jetty, extending into the Thames to facilitate the onward transfer of the captured CO₂;
- c) the Mitigation and Enhancement Area, designed both to enhance biodiversity and to improve public access to outdoor space;
- d) three temporary construction compounds; and
- e) connections to utilities and provision of site access works.

The Proposed Scheme is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. The Proposed Scheme is located in the London Borough of Bexley. A map showing the location of the Proposed Scheme can be viewed on the project's page on the Planning Inspectorate website at <https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010128> and then by clicking on the Document tab followed by the link to the Examination Library and searching for Site Location Plan (Document Reference APP-135).

Further information

You can find more information about the Changes on the Applicant's project website. This is available for inspection free of charge at www.corydecarbonisation.co.uk. You can also find further information on the Change in the Notification of Intent to submit a Change Request letter published on the Planning Inspectorate website at <https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010128> and then by clicking on the Document tab followed by the link to the Examination Library and searching for 'Change Request' (Document Reference AS-063).

The consultation information will be available to view online from 12 December 2024 until the close of the consultation at 11.59pm on 10 January 2025. Also, hard copy documents of the Changes are available free of charge at request, using the contact details below.

If you have any questions about this consultation, you can email decarbonisation@corygroup.co.uk, write to FREEPOST CORY CCS or contact Cory Decarbonisation Project by telephone on 0330 838 4254.

How to respond to the consultation

The Applicant would welcome your views on the Changes. You can respond to the consultation by:

- Email: decarbonisation@corygroup.co.uk
- Post: FREEPOST CORY CCS

When providing a response or representation, please include: your name or the name of the body or organisation you represent; the main contact person; and an address where correspondence about your response or representation may be sent. Any elements of responses that refer to aspects of the Proposed Scheme that are unrelated to the Change will be disregarded.

Please note that this public consultation will close **at 11.59pm on 10 January 2025** and we therefore invite responses on or before this date.

Your response will be analysed by the Applicant and its appointed agents and may be passed in due course to the Planning Inspectorate and any other relevant statutory authorities so that your comments can be considered as part of the DCO Examination process. Your response may therefore be made public; however, we will request that your personal details are not placed on public record. The Applicant, its affiliates and appointed agents will hold your personal details securely and in accordance with applicable data

protection legislation. They will be used solely in connection with the consultation process and the DCO process and, except as noted above, they will not be passed to third parties. The Applicant's Privacy Policy can be found on the project website:
<https://corydecarbonisation.co.uk/privacy/>

What happens after the consultation

The Applicant will consider the consultation responses made and will have regard to them as it finalises its request to make the Changes to the Application. It will set out in the Changes Request how it has undertaken its consultation and how regard has been had to the responses received. This will be submitted with the request to make the Changes to the Application. The Examining Authority will then decide whether to accept the request.

Cory Environmental Holdings Limited
December 2024