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FAO Planning Department
Staffordshire Moorlands District Council
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To whom it may concern,

REQUEST FOR SCREENING OPINION UNDER THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS 2017 (AS AMENDED)

LAND AT NEWFIELDS FARM, ROWNALL ROAD, ST9 OBS

Under Regulation 6 of the Town and Country Planning Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations 2017 (as amended), my client, Newfields BESS Ltd, requests a Screening Opinion in relation to a proposed Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) at the above site.

As required by the EIA Regulations, this request for a Screening Opinion is accompanied by a plan sufficient to identify the land, a description of the Proposed Development, a description of the relevant aspects of the environment and a description of any likely significant effects of the Proposed Development on the environment. This is contained within the enclosed Screening Report.

In accordance with the Regulations, once a Local Authority is in receipt of a request for a Screening Opinion, a Screening Opinion should be adopted within three weeks of receiving a request or such longer period, not exceeding 90 days from the date on which the request was made. Accordingly, we request that Staffordshire Moorlands District Council adopts a Screening Opinion which sets out the reasons for their decision in respect of the requirement for EIA.

We look forward to receiving the Screening Opinion in due course and if you require any further information, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Emma Bird

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Enc. EIA Screening Report including appendices

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