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**Subject:** RE: NRW Ref: CAS-274074-D3T5 - Proposed Butterfly Solar Farm NRW:02562550

Dear Katrina,

We have reviewed the Air Quality Technical Note (by Smith Grant LLP Environmental Consultancy, ref. R3492-tn1-V2, dated 30/06/25) which we received from you via e-mail on 30/06/25.

The Technical Note sets out details of expected traffic flows which are well under the relevant screening thresholds.

The Technical Note also states that best working practices and mitigation measures as a control against the impact of airborne dust will be included within the draft Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) that is to be provided with the DNS application, and would be further detailed in the subsequent detailed CEMP that is expected to be a requirement of any consent.

We therefore agree that Air Quality can be scoped out of the ES provided that the rationale for this is included in the ES and appropriate dust control measures are included in the CEMP.

Kind Regards,

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**Hi** / She, her

**Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg a byddwn yn ymateb yn Gymraeg, heb i hynny arwain at oedi.**

Correspondence in Welsh is welcomed, and we will respond in Welsh without it leading to a delay.



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Hi Tristan

NRW ref: CAS-274074-D3T5

PEDW Ref: CAS-03547-X3S2B5

I am writing with regards the proposed Butterfly Solar Farm as per the attached Scoping Direction received from PEDW.

The submitted Scoping Opinion sought to scope air quality out of the EIA process. However, in the Scoping Direction PEDW recommends that *'the applicant liaises directly with NRW on this matter and if it is subsequently agreed that air quality can be scoped out, a robust rationale for this should be provided in the ES'*.

We have therefore produced the attached Technical Note (R3492-TN1-v2) on behalf of the Applicant and Axis to provide further information on potential air quality impacts. We trust this now provides sufficient information to agree that air quality can be scoped out of the EIA process.

I would be grateful if you can confirm your agreement, otherwise, with this approach. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Kind regards

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