

29 July 2016

Mr Ian Shrubsall
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Dear Mr Shrubsall,

NuGen Stage 2 Consultation

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on your proposals for the Moorside Project published on 14th May 2016. Cumbria County Council has reviewed the project documents and our response is attached to this letter. The Council's response is comprised of the following documents:

- Cumbria County Council Response to NuGen Stage 2 Consultation, which was approved by the Council's Cabinet on 21st July 2016
- "Nationally Significant Infrastructure Investment Project Legacy for Cumbria", which sets out the Council's aspirations for legacy outcomes - prepared jointly with the Cumbria Local Enterprise Partnership and Copeland Borough Council
- Stage 2 Moorside Consultation Technical Response, prepared by WSP/ Parsons Brinckerhoff on behalf of Cumbria County Council, July 2016

The Council's principal concerns are set out in the Cumbria County Council Response, which is supported by the detailed comments on your consultation documents set out in the Technical Response.

The key theme running throughout our response is the limited amount of evidence and detail available to support the project assumptions which underpin your proposals. This in turns leads to concerns about the adequacy of the consultation and our belief that further consultation will be required once the appropriate amount of detail is available.

The Council urges NuGen to consider our comments carefully in developing the project further and deciding on the need for additional consultation ahead of the DCO submission. We look forward to a continuing dialogue with NuGen to resolve our concerns and to develop a project which will bring the optimum benefits for Cumbria.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dominic Donnini', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Dominic Donnini
Corporate Director – Economy & Highways