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HIGHWAYS ENGLAND COMPANY LIMITED

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THIS GENERAL VESTING DECLARATION is executed on the 17th day of May 2021

BY

HIGHWAYS ENGLAND COMPANY LIMITED (the "Authority").

WHEREAS

- (A) On 29 January 2021 an order entitled The A303 Sparkford to Ilchester Dualling Development Consent Order 2021 ("the Order") was made by the Secretary of State for Transport under the powers conferred on him by sections 114, 115, 117, 120, 122, 123, 135 and 138 of, and paragraphs 1 to 3, 10 to 17, 19 to 23, 26, 33, 36 and 37 of Part 1 of Schedule 5 to the Planning Act 2008 ("2008 Act") authorising the Authority to acquire the land and rights specified in the Schedules hereto.
- (B) Notice of authorisation of compulsory acquisition was first published in accordance with section 134 of the 2008 Act on 5 February 2021.
- (C) That notice included a statement of the effect of Parts 2 and 3 of the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981 ("1981 Act") as prescribed by section 134 of the 2008 Act.
- (D) Article 30(1) of the Order provides that the 1981 Act shall apply as if the Order were a compulsory purchase order and Article 30(2) provides that the 1981 Act shall have effect subject to modifications.

NOW THIS DEED WITNESSETH that in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 4 of the 1981 Act, as applied by Article 30(1) of the Order, the Authority hereby declares:

- 1. Save any interests of Excluded Persons, the land described in the Second Schedule hereto (being part of the land authorised to be acquired by the Order) and more particularly delineated red and coloured pink on the Plans annexed hereto, together with the right to enter upon and take possession of the land shall vest in the Authority as from the Vesting Date.
- 2. Save insofar that they comprise or affect interests of Excluded Persons, the rights specified in column 3 of the Third Schedule hereto (being rights authorised to be acquired over land by the Order) together with the right to exercise such rights shall, in relation to the Plots of land specified in column 1 and described in column 2 of the Third Schedule and more particularly delineated red and coloured blue on the Plans annexed hereto, vest in the Authority as from the Vesting Date.
- 3. Each Vested Right shall so vest in and be exercisable by the Authority for the benefit of each and every part of the Project and the corporeal and incorporeal property comprised in the business undertaking of the Authority to the intent that the Vested Rights may be exercised by both the Authority and by its successors in title, assigns, lessees and those deriving title from them and all persons authorised by any of these in respect of the whole or any part of such property whether it is comprised in the business undertaking of the Authority or the business undertaking of any successor in title or assign and for the purposes of the construction, operation and maintenance thereof.
- 4. For the purposes of section 2(2) of the 1981 Act, the specified period in relation to the land comprised in this declaration is one year and one day.
- 5. In this declaration wherever the context permits:
 - a. the headings are for convenience only and do not affect the interpretation of this declaration;

- b. the capitalised terms appearing in this declaration (including the Schedules) have the respective meanings assigned to them in the First Schedule;
 - c. reference to any statute or section of any statute includes a reference to any statutory amendments, modification or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force and to every instrument, order, direction, regulation, bye-law, commission, licence, consent, condition, scheme or other such matter made under or pursuant to statute;
 - d. words importing the singular include the plural and vice-versa and wording importing gender includes any other gender;
 - e. references to persons includes persons, firms and companies;
 - f. the word 'including' means including but without limitation;
 - g. references to a particular Schedule are to the relevant Schedule of this declaration.
6. The Authority hereby requests the Chief Land Registrar to note the benefit of the rights specified in column 3 of the Third Schedule hereto acquired by the Authority on the property register of the Owner's title relating to that Plot as soon as possible following the Vesting Date and where the Plot is unregistered land to note a caution against first registration in respect of such Plot.

FIRST SCHEDULE

Term	Meaning
Excluded Persons	all and any of the persons listed in the Fourth Schedule and (in relation to the relevant Plot) those persons (if any) listed in column 4 of the Third Schedule
Owner	an owner and/or lessee of an interest in a Plot other than an Excluded Person
Plans	the plans referenced General Vesting Declaration no.7 annexed hereto
Plot	a plot of land with the number specified in column 1 of the Second and Third Schedules and described in column 2 of the Second and Third Schedules
Project	the development authorised by The A303 Sparkford to Ilchester Dualling Development Consent Order 2021 to be undertaken by the Authority
Vested Rights	the new rights vested in the Authority by virtue of this declaration
Vesting Date	the end of the period of 3 months from the date which service of the notices required by section 6 of the 1981 Act is completed

SECOND SCHEDULE
LAND TO BE ACQUIRED

(1) Plot No.	(2) Description of Land
1/4b	All interests and rights in land to be acquired and used permanently of approximately 6124.04 square metres of agricultural land including public bridleway and part access track to the north of the existing A303 highway, Podimore, Yeovil
2/2a	All interests and rights in land to be acquired and used permanently of approximately 10871.24 square metres of agricultural land, overhead electricity cables, farm building units and access track adjoining existing A303 highway to the south west of Annis Hill Farm, Downhead, West Camel, Yeovil
2/3a	All interests and rights in land to be acquired and used permanently of approximately 1470.09 square metres of land, part of hardstanding access track and highway verge adjoining existing A303 highway, located to the east of Podimore, Yeovil, except those already owned by the Authority
2/3b	All interests and rights in land to be acquired and used permanently of approximately 38509.83 square metres of agricultural land, pond and access track adjoining the existing A303 to the south west of Annis Hill Farm, Downhead, West Camel, Yeovil, except those already owned by the Authority
2/5a	All interests and rights in land to be acquired and used permanently of approximately 5664.01 square metres of agricultural land to the south west of Annis Hill Farm, Downhead, West Camel, Yeovil
2/5d	All interests and rights in land to be acquired and used permanently of approximately 29811.45 square metres of agricultural land and access track adjoining existing A303 highway to the south of Annis Hill Farm, West Camel, Yeovil
4/1d	All interests and rights in land to be acquired and used permanently of approximately 1249.39 square metres of unclassified road and private track including part turning head and public right of way at Downhead located to the south east of Annis Hill Farm, West Camel, Yeovil
4/4f	All interests and rights in land to be acquired and used permanently of approximately 7443.59 square metres of agricultural land and public right of way to the south west of The Spinney, Plowage, West Camel, Yeovil

THIRD SCHEDULE
RIGHTS TO BE ACQUIRED

(1) Plot No.	(2) Description of Plot	(3) Rights vested	(4) Excluded Persons
1/4a	Approximately 313.34 square metres of land and drain to the east of Higher Farm Lane and to the north of the existing A303 highway, Podimore, Yeovil	A right to construct, operate and maintain a drainage outfall including access with or without vehicles	None
2/2e	Approximately 76.41 square metres of agricultural land to the north of the existing A303 highway and to the south west of Annis Hill Farm, Downhead, West Camel, Yeovil	A right to construct and maintain a boundary fence, plant and maintain hedgerows and undertake and maintain landscaping, including planting	None

The plot numbers above relate to the plot numbers shown on the Plans accompanying this declaration.

FOURTH SCHEDULE
EXCLUDED PERSONS

SSE PLC

Sky Telecommunications Services Limited

Virgin Media Limited

Level 3 Communications Limited

CenturyLink Limited

Instalcom Limited

O'Connor Utilities Limited

Wessex Water Services Limited

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By affixing the common seal of
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