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For the Attention of: Nick Hirst – Case Officer
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Dear Nick

PLANNING APPLICATION: 2023/44/91185/E COND

Discharge condition 19 (coal mining activity) on previous permission 2021/93644 for erection and operation of grid-connected solar photovoltaic farm to supply up to 49.9MW, with ancillary infrastructure and landscaping and biodiversity enhancement; Low Farm, Wakefield Road, Flockton, Huddersfield, WF4 4BB

Thank you for your consultation letter of 21 April 2023 seeking the views of the Coal Authority on the above discharge of condition application.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero. As a statutory consultee, The Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

The Coal Authority Response:

The Coal Authority has **no comments to make, as condition 19 appears to relate to archaeology and not coal mining legacy**. Condition 16 seeks to address coal mining legacy, but all of the supporting information appears to be archaeology related.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss this matter further.

Yours sincerely

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