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Dear Tim

### **TIDAL LAGOON CARDIFF – EVIDENCE PLAN (PAPER SG9C JUNE 2016)**

Natural Resources Wales provided comments on the Evidence Plan SG9c on 22 June 2016, seeking a response to our comments, but indicated that if TLC did not intend further amendments we could sign-off version SG9c. In an email of 4 July 2016 Jo Pickard has indicated that TLC will address our comments separately for the record and has requested sign-off so that the Evidence Plan can now be published on the PINS website.

I therefore confirm for NRW that we are satisfied that Evidence Plan version SG9c can be published. NRW's sign-off however is subject to the following:

- a) The comments we made on 22 June 2016 (attached spreadsheet)
- b) There being adequate resource available to fulfil our part of the process described

Whilst we welcome the coordinated approach that the Evidence Plan Process provides, we need to highlight the dependence of the process on the availability of stakeholder resources, including that of ourselves. An extant Advice Agreement with TLP supports aspects of our input on TLC, but we have previously highlighted the limitations of the agreement to Graham Hillier and yourself.

We look forward to receiving your response to our comments.

Regards

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