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Dear Sir/ Madam,

H2 Teesside – Planning Inspectorate Ref: EN070009: Update on Engagement Between Industrial Chemicals Ltd (Interested Party Ref: H2TS-AFP166) and Applicant Team Following Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 1 (CAH1)

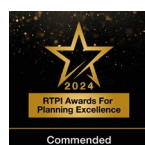
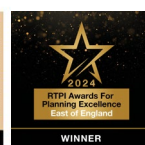
1. We write to provide an update on our liaison with the Applicant following Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 1 on 13th November 2024, on behalf of Industrial Chemicals Ltd (ICL), with a view to agreeing protective provisions relating to ICL’s access rights to its Port Clarence site.
2. An online meeting was convened with the Applicant’s team, comprising engineering and legal advisers, and Lawson Planning Partnership (LPP) with an ICL representative, on 26th November 2024. ICL concerns regarding the need to retain and maintain full, unrestricted access to and from ICL’s operational site via Huntsman Drive were discussed in order to inform the drafting of related protective provisions. The Applicant’s team provided further details on the proposed use of Huntsman Drive and Seaton Carew Road during the construction and operational phases of the proposed development.
3. Post-meeting correspondence from the Applicant team was received on 9th December 2024, confirming details of proposed access arrangement, likely vehicle numbers, and proposed traffic management and traffic regulation measures.
4. In liaison with ICL, LPP submitted comments in response to the Applicant’s email on 16th December 2024, requesting confirmation of any works proposed or Traffic Regulation Measures (TRMs) intended for the eastern stretch of Huntsman Drive. In addition, confirmation was requested as to whether measures could be put in place to allow for a temporary access during the works period(s) associated with surfacing Huntsman Drive.
5. With regard to proposed widening works on Seaton Carew Road, ICL’s response to the Applicant asked whether the planned works involve any temporary closure of Seaton Carew Road (A178) around the intended works area, at TM08 in particular. The Applicant was also asked to confirm whether, under such an event, alternative access to the A19 (as part of the strategic road network) from Huntsman

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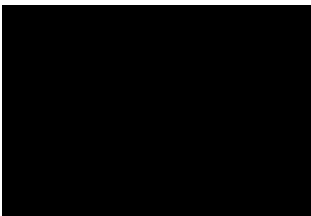
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Drive could be provided, taking account of any HGV weight and height restrictions (e.g. it is noted that the A1046 on Haverton Hill Road contains a bridge with a 4.6m height restriction).

6. Similarly, with regard to proposed traffic management proposals on Seaton Carew Road, ICL requested confirmation as to whether an alternative access to the A19 from Huntsman Drive be provided.
7. In terms of the proposed way forward, the Applicant advised that they are *“agreeable to consult ICL before the Applicant prevents Industrial Chemical’s access to Huntsman Drive and Seaton Carew Road”*. ICL has requested clarification on this point for the avoidance of doubt, as use of the word ‘prevent’ in the context of access to the road network implies that an intervention may prohibit access. As discussed at the CAH1 hearing and at the subsequent meeting with the Applicant, ICL requires guaranteed constant access to its Port Clarence site, albeit it is acknowledged that temporary diversions may be necessary for short periods, whilst any related works are being undertaken.
8. ICL is awaiting the Applicant’s response to the above queries and requests for clarification, alongside the draft protective provisions to be agreed between the parties. We shall keep the Examining Authority updated on progress with these discussions and please note that until satisfactory protective measures are agreed, ICL will need to maintain its holding objection to the scheme.
9. We would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of this submission.

Yours faithfully



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