Dear

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) and Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 – Rule 17

Application by Highways England for an Order Granting Development Consent for the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme

Request for further information relating to flooding and drainage matters

I am writing to you in respect of the above application to request further information from the applicant, the Environment Agency (EA) and Alconbury and Ellington Internal Drainage Board in relation to matters arising from the Deadline 13 submissions.

Code of Construction Practice

Are the amendments to the Code of Construction Practice (CoCP) suggested by the EA, in paragraphs 3.2 and 3.3 of its Deadline 13 submission, acceptable to the applicant? If so, would the applicant provide an amended version of the CoCP at Deadline 14. If not, why not?

Ellington Brook

Would the Alconbury & Ellington Internal Drainage Board advise, at Deadline 14, of its current position on flooding related to Ellington Brook, as reported in the applicant’s latest Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) submitted at Deadline 13 and referred to in paragraph 4.3 of the EA’s Deadline 13 submission.

FRA

Would the applicant and the EA advise, at Deadline 14, of their latest positions on the minor outstanding model issues referred to in paragraphs 5.1 and 12.1 of the EA’s Deadline 13 submission.
**Additional DCO requirement**

Do the applicant and the EA have any views on the following requirement which, on the basis of information currently before the Examination, is under consideration by the Panel? The requirement is:

‘Work on alterations to a culvert for Oakington Brook and an un-named watercourse that flows into Oakington Brook, Work Nos. 5(aaaa) and 5(bbbb), must not commence until an addendum to the Flood Risk Assessment, certified under DCO article 41, and details of the alterations have been submitted to, and accepted in writing by, the Environment Agency. The submitted addendum must extend to all areas associated with these alterations and show that flood risk to properties within the village of Oakington would not be increased as a result of the authorised development. Development must be carried out in accordance with the accepted details.’

Any views should be submitted by Deadline 14.

**Protective Provisions**

Would the applicant provide details of the watercourses to be entered at paragraph 32 of the DCO Protective Provisions at Deadline 14.

**Flood Risk Assessment**

The ExA would also like to thank the EA for the work that it has carried out in the latter stages of this Examination and its offer to check the applicant’s FRA information by Deadline 14.

Please respond by Deadline 14 at noon on 6 November 2015.

Yours faithfully

*Frances Fernandes*

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*Lead Member of the Panel of Examining Inspectors*

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