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By project webpage submission Dear Mr Rynd Smith,

Lower Thames Crossing Development Consent Order PINS Reference Number: TR010032 IP Reference Number: 20035558

The National Highways' response to planning applications on the Hoo peninsula has shown that they believe that junction 1 of the M2 is very sensitive to additional traffic. The layouts of the merges and diverges on the slip roads are not compliant with DMRB for the existing traffic and NH have limited the additional traffic generated by the Meadway One development to 60 trips in the peak hours in order to protect the operation and safety of the junction. However, the LTC proposals are putting a substantial amount of increased traffic on both the mainline carriageways through the interchange without any modification to the merge/diverge layouts; this will have a direct impact on the safe operation of the slip roads at that junction. This puts a further throttle on development within the Hoo peninsula.

Our written representation submitted at Deadline 1 will provide further detail and analysis.

Yours sincerely,

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