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Dear Sirs

DCO Scheme: Proposed Lower Thames Crossing Scheme

Our Client: Network Rail Infrastructure Limited

Subject: Response to request from DFT for update in connection with Proposed Agreement and Protective Provisions

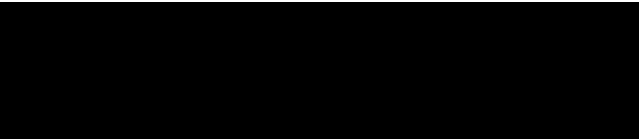
This Firm is instructed by Network Rail Infrastructure Limited (NRIL) in relation to the application by National Highways for the Proposed Development of the Lower Thames Crossing Scheme.

We write in response to your letter of 28 March 2024, in which you requested an update from NRIL in relation to two queries. The first query concerns whether an agreement on the acquisition of interests has been reached between National Highways and NRIL. The second query pertains to the question of whether bespoke Protective Provisions (PPs) have been agreed between National Highways and NRIL.

In regards to both of your queries, we want to inform you that we (on behalf of NRIL) have been in continuous negotiations with National Highways since the Examination concluded and at this time are still currently negotiating the required property agreements and Protective Provisions. The Protective Provisions are close to being agreed and we are hopeful that these will be in an agreed form within the next few weeks.

Should you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely


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