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Subject: Lower Thames Crossing: DfT response to consultation letter of 28 March 2024 [TLT-TLT.FID9270306]
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Dear Sir / Madam

We are instructed by the Government Legal Department on behalf of the Department for Transport in relation to the Lower Thames Crossing DCO application and National Highways' request for s.135 Crown consent.

In response to point 3 of your letter of 28 March 2024 requesting an update from our client, our client's response is as follows.

The Department is working with the Scheme Promoter in respect of the relevant Crown land to finalise a Land Agreement. We do not currently anticipate that the agreement will be completed before the decision period finishes but we are using all reasonable endeavours to seek appropriate governance and complete the agreement as soon as feasibly practical. The Department has also informed the Scheme Promoter that a formal s.135 consent application is required, and receipt of that application is awaited. On completion of the Land Agreement, and following receipt of a formal s.135 consent application, Crown consent will be provided. We are currently unaware of any substantial remaining unresolved issues at this stage, but reserve the right to raise concerns or risks in respect of the Department's Crown interests.

Our client would be grateful if all future correspondence relating to this scheme, including any further requests for information, could be sent to Grouppropertypmo@dft.gov.uk.

Kind regards

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