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Rt Hon Mark Harper MP Secretary of State for Transport **Department for Transport Great Minster House** 33 Horseferry Road London SW1P 4DR

Dear Secretary of State.

London Borough of Havering (20035775) - Comments on the proposed requirement concerning Water Framework Directive (WFD)

Thank you for your letter of 28th March inviting comments from Interested Parties on a number of matters relating to the Lower Thames Crossing scheme.

The Council has reviewed the proposed requirement in relation to the Water Framework Directive (WFD) as set out under item 4 of your letter.

Firstly, Havering recognises that responsibility for water quality and the WFD sits with the Environment Agency. Havering did raise concerns with the design of culverts during the Examination, and it was a matter that was left as "not agreed" in the Statement of Common Ground between the Applicant and LB Havering submitted at Deadline 9A during the Examination. LB Havering considers that the proposed requirements would overcome these concerns as it would allow Havering an opportunity to review the design of the culverts, and would therefore be a welcome addition.

With regards to the drafting of the proposed requirement, LB Havering has no specific comments on the wording put forward.

Yours sincerely,

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