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Dear Mr Bartkowiak / Mr Barrowman,

A122 Lower Thames Crossing (Ref: TR10032)

National Highways Lorry Parking Facilities Improvements Scheme (NHLPFIS)

We have been corresponding with you with respect to the progress of the draft DCO for the Lower Thames Crossing Project and note the time for making the DCO stands extended to the 4 October 2024.

As an Interested Party, we note the **NHLPFIS** allows grants to be provided to suppliers of lorry parking operators, assisting in improvements of HGV drivers' facilities which includes conveniences such as welfare facilities, parking arrangements and heightened security measures intended to secure the working environment standards for HGV drivers.

As we are intending to develop our strip of land as a major motorway service station strategically placed at the corridor of the A2/M2 Motorway, our proposals will include developing one of the largest truck stops in Kent with rest and food facilities, ancillary services together with an increased capacity and charging infrastructure to host chargers with a range of charging options suitable for both on-the-go and overnight HGVs. Our proposed development will include secure parking base and convenient services for HGV drivers separately from other users of the motorway including fleet coaches and cars. We consider our land offers considerable future development potential whilst working with national energy infrastructure partners.

We are unsure whether the grant under NHLPFIS will still be available after 30 March 2025. You will appreciate our inability to make any commitments on our proposed project until the SOST decision is made.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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