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Dear Sirs

**THE M54 TO M6 LINK ROAD DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER ("THE PROPOSED ORDER")  
REFERENCE NUMBER TR010054**

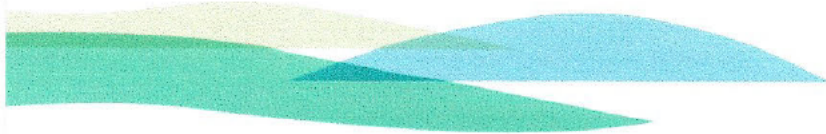
The Coal Authority (as successor to British Coal Corporation (formerly the National Coal Board) owns most of the coal and coal mines throughout the UK along with other minerals and may have an interest in various plots of land proposed to be subject to compulsory acquisition or temporary possession pursuant to the proposed Order. The interests held by the Coal Authority were identified in the application for the proposed Order as Crown interests.

The purpose of this letter is to inform the Planning Inspectorate that the interests held by the Coal Authority are not Crown interests for the purposes of section 227(3) of the Planning Act 2008 ("the 2008 Act"). The Coal Authority is an executive non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy and the land and interests it holds are not categorised as Crown land for the purposes of the 2008 Act.

Yours faithfully

  
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For and on behalf of the Coal Authority as an executive non-department public body sponsored by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy



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