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## An unacceptable delay to the Manston Airport DCO process-- TR020002

Susan Anderson Head of Transport Infrastructure Planning, Great Minster House, 33 Horseferry Road, London, SW1P 4DR; The Planning Inspectorate.

Dear Ms. Anderson, Planning Inspectorate,

Lab-tools is a micro-SME that moved its NMR laboratory to be close to Manston Airport when KLM flights to Schiphol (and thence internationally) started on 2 April 2013. Many Lab-Tools customers are significant players on the international stage — visitor and directors had 8 international flights booked when the air-port closure was announced, not all of which were able to happen. To hear that the return of KLM and other airlines may be delayed an extra 4 months is a great disappointment.

Lab-Tools are also highly looking forward to the training of technical people that will take place when Manston re-opens, and will be very pleased when the Manston Airport infrastructure investment in Kent takes place. Please do not delay it more than necessary. Thanking you,

Dr. Beau Webber
Director, Lab-Tools Ltd. (nanoscience).