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**Subject:** Gatwick Airport Northern Runway Project - Examining

Authority's second written questions and requests for

information (ExQ2)

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Further to the written questions and requests for information provided to us, SES Water, we have been asked to respond to the following item concerning water supply:

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We have prepared a letter in response to this request, which is attached to this correspondence. This letter confirms that SES Water has reviewed the projected demands and are satisfied that we will be able to meet the proposed developments water supply requirements.

Should you require any further details or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards

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London Gatwick Airport | Northern Runway Project Examining Authority's second written questions and requests for information (ExQ2) Reference WE.2.1

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We received water demand projections from London Gatwick in 2020, at the time of preparing our Water Resource Management Plan (2024) demand forecast. Our draft Water Resource Management Plan, submitted for consultation in October 2022, was prepared on the 2019/20 base year. Our non-household demand forecast takes account of the projections and includes an assessment of uncertainty so that we can adequately plan our resources to meet future demand and growth across the area we serve.

When revising our draft Water Resource Management Plan we rebased elements of our demand forecast to 2021/22. As such, our household demand forecast has altered. However, we did not make changes to our non-household forecast. This is being set out in our response for clarity to the Examining Authority.

Based on the above, we provide this correspondence to confirm we are satisfied we will be able to meet the proposed development's water supply requirements.







As we set out on 09 February 2024, we would also encourage any opportunity for developments to demonstrate efficient use of water and we consider this is a shared goal across many of our end users, including Gatwick Airport. However, this statement should not be construed as a concern over our ability to meet supply requirements but that both parties should continue efforts in mitigating their impacts on the local environment.

Yours faithfully



**Liam Ahearne** 

**Head of Asset Strategy** 

