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Dear Mr Ranger

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) **Four Ashes Limited**

Application for an Order granting Development Consent for the construction of a Rail Freight Interchange and associated development (West Midlands Interchange)

Examination - Applicant's Response for Deadline 2

I refer to the procedural decision in the Rule 8 letter dated 4 March 2019 and enclose the responses and information from the Applicant for Deadline 2. This is being sent by email only, as agreed.

The documentation sent is as follows:

- Applicant's Responses to the Examining Authority's First Written Questions (with 1. Appendices 1 - 19)(Document 10.1). This is being submitted in five parts due to the file sizes and the Planning Inspectorate 10MB restriction;
- 2. A List of Abbreviations and Acronyms (Document 10.2) as discussed at ISH1;
- An Addendum to the Noise Chapter of the ES (Chapter 13A of Document 6.2). This 3. takes account of more recent noise monitoring and is referred to in the response to ExQ1.9.1;
- 4. An updated Market Assessment (Document 7.4A). This is referred to in the response to ExQ1.2.18;
- 5. The following Statements of Common Ground:
 - Staffordshire County Council (Document 8.5); (i)
 - (ii) Highways England (Document 8.6); and
 - (iii) South Staffordshire District Council (Document 8.7).

The ExA will note that it has not been possible to submit a completed Statement of Common Ground between the Applicant and CRT. A draft SoCG was sent to CRT on

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 $11\ \text{March}$ however, at the time of writing, no substantive response has yet been received. The Applicant will continue to progress this with CRT and submit a completed SoCG as soon as possible.

- An updated Document List including all documentation submitted since 11 February 2019 (Document 1.3B); and
- 7. The Applicant's proposed itinerary for the Accompanied Site Visit.

You will note that we have not submitted a response to Relevant Representations. Most issues raised in the Relevant Representations, and other parties' Deadline 1 submissions, are either dealt with through the Applicant's responses to the ExA's First Written Questions or, to avoid repetition, the Applicant intends to address them at Deadline 3, in the Applicant's responses to the Written Representations to be submitted at Deadline 2.

I would be grateful if you would confirm receipt of the enclosed documentation. Please do not hesitate to contact me using the contact details above or my colleague, Morag Thomson (moragthomson@eversheds-sutherland.com or 07770 586 447), should there be any queries.

Yours sincerely

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Enclosures