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To: Northampton Gateway

Cc: Subject:

Northampton Gateway Rail Freight Interchange Project - Non-Material Change TR050006

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I write to express my strong opposition to the amendment requested by SEGRO to the original Development Consent Order (DCO) granted in October 2019 for the Northampton Gateway.

I strongly object to this proposed amendment being treated as a non-material amendment, as SEGRO suggest. It is clearly in breach of the National Policy Statement for National Networks, the national Strategic Rail Freight Interchange policy and the DCO granted for Northampton Gateway. The DCO clearly stated that 'a rail terminal capable of handling at least four intermodal trains per day... must be constructed and available for use before the occupation of any of the warehousing and it specifically prohibited any commercial activity until the rail connection was operational.

It is completely unacceptable – and an affront to our democratic processes - that, following a lengthy enquiry and grant of the DCO with clear and specific conditions, for the DCO to be amended merely because SEGRO have miscalculated the cost and consequences of meeting those conditions.

