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Dear Sarah and Richard,

**The Thames Water Utilities Limited (Thames Tideway Tunnel)
Development Consent Order**

**Application by Thames Water Utilities Limited for certificates and consent
from the Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change under sections
127 and 138 of the Planning Act 2008**

The Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change ("the Secretary of State") has considered the Examining Authority's report dated 12 June 2014, in relation to the acquiring authority's applications for section 127 certificates and consent pursuant to section 138 of the Planning Act 2008.

I confirm on behalf of the Secretary of State that there is no requirement for his Department to issue section 127 certificates in respect of the inclusion of statutory undertakers' land within the Order.

Having considered the provisions as set out in Part 1 of Schedule 16 of the Order that covers the protective provisions for electricity and gas undertakers in relation to section 138, the Secretary of State agrees with the Examining Authority that the protective provisions adequately protect relevant stakeholders interests in relation to National Grid (gas and electricity), London Power Networks, other electricity undertakers and other gas undertakers.

The Secretary of State gives his consent under section 138 for inclusion in the Order of powers to extinguish rights or remove apparatus of the relevant electricity and gas statutory undertakers for the purposes of constructing the Thames Tideway Tunnel Project under the Order.

Yours sincerely,



Giles Scott
Head, National Infrastructure Consents