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Dear Sir

KENT INTERNATIONAL GATEWAY - UPDATE ON HIGHWAYS AGENCY POSITION

We write further to our letter of 21 December 2009.

We have now seen Kent Highway Service Response to KIG Note 2.18 dated 18 December 2009 (the "Response"). It had previously been copied to Mr. Andrew Williams of our office who is currently away on annual leave. For this reason it only came to our attention at the Inquiry hearing yesterday. We apologise for this oversight.

In light of the Response and particularly the contents of its Paragraph 1.7 we acknowledge that it may be unacceptable to other parties to temporarily move the security checkpoint further into the site to allow HGVs to wait within the boundary. However we wish to reaffirm that the Highways Agency considers a planning obligation is required to prevent HGVs queuing back from the site entrance onto the A20 and we would like to reiterate our comments, as contained in the penultimate paragraph of our letter of 21 December, and confirm that the Highways Agency would wish to have input into any proposed planning condition or other obligation which addresses the HGV Access issue.

Yours faithfully



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For and on behalf of the Highways Agency

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