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ECOLOGY RELATED CONDITIONING – RIVENHALL AIRFIELD

Dear Ms Tomalin

On behalf of Gent Fairhead and Co. Ltd, please find enclosed seven copies of the Pre-Commencement Survey (Condition 53 Ecology Report) and the Habitat Management Plan (HMP) which have been developed in accordance with the granting of planning permission, reference ESS/37/08/BTE, on 2 March 2010 for the Integrated Waste Management Facility at Rivenhall Airfield, Essex.

Through the preparation of the Pre-Commencement Survey (Condition 53 Ecology Report) it is intended that Planning Condition 53 would be satisfied. Planning Condition 53 is worded as follows:

'Prior to the commencement of development a further ecological survey of the Site shall be carried out to update the information contained within the Environmental Statement and the impact of the development assessed and if required mitigation measures as set out within the Environmental Statement updated and amended to mitigate any impacts. Prior to the commencement of development, the ecological survey assessment of impact and any updated and amended mitigation shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Waste Planning Authority. Any updated or amended mitigation shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.'

Through the preparation and subsequent implementation of the HMP it is intended that Planning Condition 54 would be satisfied. Planning Condition 54 is worded as follows:

'No development shall commence until a habitat management plan including details of the proposed management and mitigation measures described in the Environmental Statement (amended) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Waste Planning Authority.'

Please note that these documents are being submitted in tandem with the European Protected Species Mitigation Licence Application for great crested newts, which will be determined separately by Natural England. Natural England would normally need to be satisfied that any outstanding planning conditions relating to wildlife species or habitats have been discharged before they can award a mitigation licence. Accordingly, in order to progress the development we would request consideration of these documents at your earliest convenience.



We trust that you find the above satisfactory; however, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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Attachments: Habitat Management Plan x 7
Condition 53 Ecology Report x7
Discharge Condition Form