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Teesside Management Offices  
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TS10 5QW

Our ref: GHS.RN  
101620.0005.8483005.4

Your ref: 45274 0008

Dear Sir

17 May 2018

### Requisition of Information

We act on behalf of Highfield Environmental Limited and have been instructed in relation to this matter. All future correspondence should be directed to both our client and this firm.

We write to you in response to your letter addressed to our client dated 10 May 2018 received on 14 May 2018 relating to the proposed Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) by South Tees Development Corporation (STDC).

The requisition notice STDC have served under Section 5A of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 (**Act**) is not valid and therefore our client will not be responding to STDC's request for information until a valid notice has been served. This notice does not meet the statutory requirements enclosed within your letter. Firstly, the notice does not sufficiently describe the CPO you are referring to as required under Section 5A(6)(b) of the Act. Whilst the notice provides the statutory source of STDC's power to request information, it does not state the statutory source of the CPO which is a requirement under Section 5A(6)(c).

We also like to make clear at this time that our client has no interest in the land shaded pink on Map B (Sheet 2 of 2). This land forms part of title number CE94277 whose registered proprietor is The Council of the Borough of Redcar and Cleveland. Please find enclosed the register of title and title plan to evidence this fact.

Our client therefore requests that the requirements detailed above are met by way of the notice being reissued with the appropriate amends. For the purposes of clarity, this reissued notice should also delete any reference to the land detailed above as we have provided satisfactory evidence that our client has no interest. We would also like to enquire why our client's land is required for the CPO and an explanation as to why no alternative means were available to STDC. Our client appreciates that this process may result in an acquisition of their land by agreement but in order for our client to consider this they need to be provided with the information detailed in this letter.

We look forward to your response and a valid notice being served.

Yours faithfully

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