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Dear Mr Guy, Mr Oughton and Mrs Counsell

### **The Network Rail (Cambridge Re-Signalling) Order**

#### The Order

As you are aware, Network Rail Infrastructure Limited (**Network Rail**) has applied to the Secretary of State for Transport under sections 1 and 5 of the Transport and Works Act 1992 for the above-mentioned Order.

The draft Order provides for the compulsory purchase of the land and/or rights and extinguishment of the rights in land described in the Schedules to the draft Order, in which you have an interest.

The Secretary of State for Transport has considered the application for the Order and decided to hold a Public Inquiry into the application. The Public Inquiry will commence on 12 April 2023 and will then sit on the 13th, 14th, 18th and 19th April 2023.

#### Current Position on Acquisition of Land/Rights

As you know, Network Rail has had extensive discussions with you with a view to securing the rights over your land that Network Rail wishes to acquire from by private agreement. Accordingly, the following negotiations have taken place with you to date.

Following negotiations with your appointed agent, terms for temporary Licence Agreements to access your land were agreed and returned signed to Network Rail in October 2022. Due to the land being let to The Pretoria Energy Company (Mepal) Limited, the Licence Agreements also needed to be signed by Stephen Ripley on the occupier's behalf.

Initial contact was made with Mr Ripley on 17 October 2022. This was followed up by a text setting out the reason for our enquiry. During the week commencing 24 October 2022, Network Rail's

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representative spoke to Mr Ripley and emails were sent to him on 26 October 2022 and 31 October 2022 explaining the negotiations, which had taken place with your agent, on your behalf.

Our initial emails were followed up with further emails in November 2022 and January 2023 and we sent Mr Ripley a number of text messages and left messages both on your mobile voicemail and at your office.

At the date of this letter, Network Rails' agent has not received a substantive response from Mr Ripley.

We trust that the above correctly describes the current position. We will be providing a copy of this letter to the Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State to hold the public inquiry into the application for the Order. Please do let us know by return if you disagree with summary of the status of our negotiations set out in this letter.

Yours sincerely,



Alex Rees  
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