## EXHIBIT LIST

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Petitioner: J S Sampson (Deceased)  
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Dear Mr Bedson


I am writing to you in my capacity as the Director of Hybrid Bill Delivery at HS2 Ltd, which is acting on behalf of the Promoter of the High Speed Rail (West Midlands-Crewe) Bill (the Bill) currently before Parliament. I understand that your client has a number of concerns about the impact of Phase 2A of HS2 (known as ‘the Proposed Scheme’) and has submitted a petition on that basis against the Bill in the House of Commons.

In addition to sharing with you on behalf of your client a number of written assurances offered to the National Farmers Union (NFU) on 21 June, I write to address concerns raised in your client’s petition regarding land take required for ecological mitigation planting. In light of this, I am pleased to offer your client the following assurances to address these concerns:

“In these assurances:

“Ecological Mitigation Land” means the area of proposed grassland habitat creation shown in grid squares E5 and F5 on Plan CT-06-216 in Volume 2 of the Environmental Statement accompanying the Bill and shown edged in red on the attached plan;

1.1 In carrying out the detailed design of the Proposed Scheme the Promoter shall, subject to the conditions in paragraph 1.2, require the nominated undertaker to use reasonable endeavours to reconfigure so far as reasonably practicable the ecological mitigation proposed for the Ecological Mitigation Land to reduce the amount of the Ecological Mitigation Land required for such mitigation.

1.2 The conditions referred to in paragraph 1.1 are that:

a) the proposed reconfiguration referred to in paragraph 1.1 does not create any new or different significant environmental effects from those assessed in the Environmental Statement deposited with the Bill;

b) the proposed reconfiguration referred to in paragraph 1.1 does not prejudice the safe, timely and economic delivery of the Proposed Scheme; and
c) the proposed reconfiguration referred to in paragraph 1.1 receives any necessary approval from the local planning authority under Schedule 17 to the Bill.”

This assurance will be included in a Register of Undertakings and Assurances, held by the Department for Transport. Drafts of the Register will be published regularly during the passage of the Bill and it will be finalised after Royal Assent. A nominated undertaker will be contractually obliged to comply with all relevant undertakings and assurances set out in the Register.

Further information on how the Secretary of State will ensure compliance with assurances made by HS2 Ltd is set out in HS2 Phase 2A Information Paper B5: Compliance with Undertakings and Assurances1.

It is hoped that these further assurances will address the issues raised in your client's petition. In the meantime, if you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact Maya Williams-Orme, Senior Property Acquisition Manager, on Maya.Williams-Orme@hs2.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

Oliver Bayne
Director, Hybrid Bill Delivery
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1 A copy can be found at https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/understanding-the-hybrid-bill-hs2-phase-2a-informationpapers
Proposed Great Crested Newt Mitigation - Hopton

Legend:
- Depot, station, headhouse or portal building
- Tunnel portal
- Electricity substation
- Land drainage area
- Ecological mitigation pond
- Balancing pond
- Replacement floodplain storage
- Woodland habitat creation
- Wetland habitat creation
- Grassland habitat creation
- Landscape mitigation planting (parch / woodland)
- Grassed areas
- Sustainable placement
- Public realm/infrastructure
- Community facility
- Engineering earthworks
- Landscape earthworks
- Rail alignment formation
- Tunnels
- Hedges
- Existing watercourse diversion
- Road alignment formation
- Tunnels external extent
- Borough / District boundary
- County boundary
- Existing woodland
- Existing buildings
- Existing river
- Existing contours
- HS2 access road
- Noise barrier
- Rail alignment

Existing pond confirmed to support a population of great crested newts

Existing pond identified as having great crested newts on a precautionary basis.

250m boundary of great crested new terrestrial habitat

Area of proposed terrestrial habitat creation