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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 clients have a number of concerns about the impact of Phase 2A of HS2 (known as ‘the Proposed Scheme’) and have submitted a petition on that basis against the Bill in the House of Commons.

Following recent discussions, I am writing to you, on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport, to offer your clients the following assurances:

“In these assurances:

“the Bill” means the High Speed Rail (West Midlands – Crewe) Bill as deposited in the House of Commons on 17 July 2017;

"Environmental Statement" means the environmental statement prepared for the Proposed Scheme and deposited at Parliament with the Bill;

“the nominated undertaker” refers to the body or bodies appointed by the Secretary of State to exercise the powers conferred by the Bill to construct and maintain the Proposed Scheme. The nominated undertaker may be HS2 Ltd, or it may be another body or bodies appointed to oversee the construction and operation of the Proposed Scheme;

“the Petitioner” means Mr Philip and Mrs Sue Proudlove of Sutch Farm, Back Lane, Shavington, Crewe, CW2 5BA;

“the Proposed Scheme” means Phase 2a of HS2 as defined further in the Bill;

“the Secretary of State” means the Secretary of State for Transport;

“the Works” means the construction within the Bill limits of accommodation works, landscaping and other mitigation works, drainage works and the construction of balancing ponds, embankments, bunds and made-up ground required for Proposed Scheme;
1. **Ecological mitigation**

1.1. The Secretary of State will require the nominated undertaker where reasonably practicable to modify the design of the proposed ecological mitigation in the land edged red on the plan accompanying this assurance for the purposes of facilitating the efficient management of the Petitioner’s agricultural holding following the completion of construction of the Works.

2. **Landscape mitigation**

2.1. The Secretary of State shall require the nominated undertaker to reduce the extent of the landscape mitigation planting proposed to be located within the land shaded green on the plan accompanying this assurance for the purposes of facilitating the efficient management of the Petitioner’s agricultural holding following the completion of construction of the Works.

2.2. The assurance in 2.1 is subject to:

   2.2.1. the proposed reduction in the landscape mitigation planting referred to in paragraph 2.1 does not create any new or different environmental effects than those assessed in the Environmental Statement deposited with the Bill;

   2.2.2. the proposed reduction in the landscape mitigation planting referred to in paragraph 2.1 does not prejudice the safe, timely and economic delivery of the Proposed Scheme; and

   2.2.3. the proposed reduction in the landscape mitigation planting referred to in paragraph 2.1 receives approval from the local planning authority under paragraph 9 of Schedule 17 to the Bill.

3. **Reduction in the land take for balancing pond**

3.1. The Secretary of State will require the nominated undertaker in carry out the detailed design of the Proposed Scheme to use reasonable endeavours to reduce the land take for the balancing pond identified in blue shading on the plan accompanying this assurance.

3.2. The assurance in 3.1 is subject to:

   3.2.1. the Bill conferring all necessary powers and consents required in order to deliver the drainage requirements for the Proposed Scheme at any alternative site;

   3.2.2. that any alternative site will not create any new or different environmental effects than those assessed in the Environmental Statement deposited with the Bill;

   3.2.3. that the balancing pond can be relocated without prejudicing the safety, timely and economic delivery of the Proposed Scheme.”

If accepted, the assurances set out in this letter will be included in the Register of Undertakings and Assurances, which is 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.

If you have any queries please don’t hesitate to contact Richard W Smith, Property Acquisition Manager, on 020 7944 6486 and richardw.smith@hs2.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

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1 A copy can be found at https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/understanding-the-hybrid-bill-hs2-phase-2a-information-papers