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Subject: Port of London Authority response (DC 539) Plan ref: 20211383 Imperial Wharf

Dear Peter

Thank you for consulting the Port of London Authority (PLA) on the Screening and Scoping Request in respect of a proposed planning application for the installation of two additional bitumen tanks, load out gantry, installation of a bitumen emulsion plant and alternative car parking on land at Imperial Wharf, Clifton Marine Parade, Gravesend. I have now had the opportunity to review the associated report and have the following comments to make.

To confirm the PLA has no in principle objection to the additional tanks and load out gantry development which is line with part 5.1.35 of policy CS07 (Economy, Employment and Skills) of the adopted Core Strategy which states that development proposals facilitating the expansion of river-related employment will be supported, particularly where these involve the use of the river for transport and provide facilities intended to support the continued use of the River Thames as a major commercial waterway.

Within the submitted report it is noted in paragraph 4.9 that a Transport Assessment will be undertaken. As part of this it is considered that information should be provided on any potential changes to vessel size of vessels visiting the wharf and if it is to change from that which currently moors at the wharf, confirm whether any amendments to the berth and/or mooring arrangements would be required as a result. In addition, as part of the forthcoming planning application consideration should also be given to the potential use of the river for the transportation of construction materials to the site, either directly to the site or via the supply chain as part of the proposed development.

I hope these comments are of assistance

Regards

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