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Subject Fw: Broadford Bridge Drilling Noise

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Hi Peter

Happy New Year to you and I hope you are feeling better.

Thanks for the calculations. Having had the discussions with Jenny prior to Christmas my concerns have been largely addressed. Once I had the opportunity to look at the noise monitoring data for similar rig operations I was in a better position to understand the comments in the ES.

As a consequence I think it is unlikely that any of the identified receptors will be exposed to intrusive noise. As we discussed there may be occasions when atmospheric conditions facilitate the extended propagation of noise from the drilling operations. However I would expect such events to be rare and therefore unlikely to be of any real significance.

The planning condition suggested to West Sussex County Council represents this authority's normal approach in dealing with plant or machinery noise that may affect residential properties. If applied the use of BS4142:1997 as quoted in the condition may not be appropriate at night for this development because of the low background noise levels. Accordingly the additional noise information received could be used to demonstrate compliance with that part of the condition.

On further consideration a requirement for a noise management plan referencing the mitigation proposals in the ES may represent a more constructive route. However whether this would need to be incorporated into a planning condition or can be subject to a legal agreement is not something I can comment on.

Thanks again for your help

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