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Your Ref:

Our Ref: DCO: BC0410001
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Date: 18 March 2026

Dear Sir/ Madam

**The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 – rule 17
Application by SEGRO Properties Limited, for an order granting development
consent for a scheme comprising the East Midlands Gateway Phase 2 (EMG2)**

**The Infrastructure Planning (Changes to, and Revocation of, Development Consent
Orders) Regulations 2011 – regulation 44
Application by SEGRO (EMG) Limited, for an order making material changes to the
previously approved East Midlands Gateway Rail Freight Interchange and Highway
Order 2016**

Request for further information

We are writing as the Examining Panel appointed under the Planning Act 2008 and the two above regulations to seek information to assist us in writing our report to the Secretary of State for Transport relating to the above two applications.

We are writing under rule 17 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 and regulation 44 of The Infrastructure Planning (Changes to, and Revocation of, Development Consent Orders) Regulations 2011.

Background to the request

The application for the EMG2 lies within the East Midlands Freeport and the application for the material change lies in proximity to the East Midlands Freeport. Various representations have been made as to how this should be considered.

The request

Could the departments please provide us with the documentation about the geographic designation of the East Midlands Freeport.

This is not a question about the policy of freeports, rather is to how the extent of the East Midlands Freeport was arrived at, what, if any, assessment of any environmental factors was undertaken, and whether any other extents were considered and rejected. If so, why were they rejected.

Can we please be provided with all documents setting out the decision-making processes.

Responses should be submitted by **deadline 1 (Tuesday 7 April 2026)**.

Other interested parties may also wish to respond to this request.

Yours sincerely

Robert Jackson

Robert Jackson
Lead member of the panel of Examining Inspectors

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