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EMAIL SENT ON BEHALF OF DAN MORRIS

Dear Sirs

Following the speech made by the Chancellor of Exchequer on 29 January 2025, we are writing to support all options for the funding of the long delayed Lower Thames Crossing. The Chancellor stated that "The government is also assessing options for privately financing the Lower Thames Crossing, which will improve connectivity across vital ports and alleviate congestion as goods to be exported come from across the country to markets overseas."

We understand the National Highways have set out a revised Funding Statement. Noting that the government is assessing options, the updated Funding Statement would supplement the existing publicly funded option with privately financed options. This sounds like a sensible approach.

As a logistics business with a national coverage and commercial property in Essex and throughout the UK we are extremely keen to see the Lower Thames Crossing progress and consider it a crucial element of infrastructure required to reduce delays we experience on the M25 and Dartford Crossing. Our dedicated fleet of trucks and vans help keeps UK businesses moving, seeking to optimise the efficiency of supply chains. With this in mind, we are supportive of the government's announcement, should this be a way of facilitating the delivery of the crossing.

Yours faithfully

Dan Morris

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