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Thames Tideway Tunnel – July 2012

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Dear Mr McKenzie

Thames Tideway Tunnel: Section 48 Publicity of a proposed application

The proposed Thames Tideway Tunnel is a major new sewer urgently needed to help tackle the problem of sewage overflows from London's Victorian sewerage system into the River Thames. Following our analysis of and response to phase two consultation, and the targeted consultations we have undertaken at selected sites, we are now ready to publicise our proposed application for development consent for the project.

This is a formal process that we are required to undertake in accordance with Section 48 of the Planning Act 2008. The purpose is to publicise our intention to make a development consent order application for the project. Accordingly, this stage is different from the previous principal phases of consultation that we have undertaken and instead offers a preview of our proposal before we submit our application early in 2013.

I enclose a copy of our notice publicising the proposed application for a development consent order. All documents are available online. If you would like a CD of the information, please email info@tidewaytunnels.co.uk.

The Section 48 publicity begins on 16 July 2012 and closes on 5 October 2012 at 5pm. If you wish to make any comments on the publicity material, we must receive them (in full) by the closing date. These views will be taken into account before we finalise our application for development consent.

I would also like to take this opportunity to introduce our modified project title. In response to feedback from stakeholders, our project is now known as the Thames Tideway Tunnel. The new emphasis on the word 'Tideway' also has the benefit of highlighting the central purpose of the project, to address the growing and unacceptable discharge of untreated sewage into the tidal River Thames.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Thames Tideway Tunnel