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**Subject:** RE: Planning Consultation Request for case ref: 26/0191

Dear Geraint,

I have reviewed the outline planning application for the proposed modular data centre at the Former Liberty Steel site.

In terms of contaminated land, I note that NRW has strongly recommended a number of land contamination planning conditions be applied due to the presence of the historical Sloblands Land Fill site. I agree with the recommendation for all these conditions to be applied.

In terms of air quality, I note that NRW have recommended a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) be conditioned. I agree with this recommendation but request that Construction Traffic Routing and Anti-Idling measures are included within the CEMP to limit the impact on any air quality management areas (AQMA's) or other sensitive receptors used by the construction traffic.

I also recommend the following informative be attached to any decision regarding the use of backup diesel generators at the data centre:

"Should backup diesel generators be proposed as a power source in the reserved matters application then full details will need to be submitted to the LPA for consideration of any potential air quality impacts. Depending on the significance of the proposal an air quality assessment may be requested."

Kind regards / Cofion gorau,

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