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Dear Mr Hunt

PROPOSAL: EIA SCREENING OPINION FOR THE IMPORTATION OF CEMENT AND CEMENT SUBSTITUTES AT SOUTH DOCK AND CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF MILL FOR PROCESSING, MANUFACTURE OF CEMENT AND CEMENT SUBSTITUTES AND ONWARD DISTRIBUTION

SITE: South Dock East Way Road Alexandra Docks Newport South Wales

APPLICATION Env Impact Screening

I refer to your Screening Report registered by the Local Planning Authority on 25th January 2023 and the associated request that the Local Planning Authority adopt a screening opinion under the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment)(Wales) Regulations 2017 for the above development.

With regard to Schedule 2, section 5b of the above mentioned Regulations I consider that the proposal does comprise development under this category on the basis that it is for the process and manufacture of cement and cement substitutes and exceeds the threshold set out in the column to section 5b. The development must be screened for Environmental Impact Assessment purposes, and I have done so based upon the impacts of the development as a whole and the potential cumulative effects associated with it and other constructed or planned activities in the area.

In formulating this screening opinion I have had regard to the criteria set out in Schedule 3 of the Regulations and the information you have provided as part of your request along with comments expressed by internal consultees on this and associated enquiry. Having regard to the scale and nature of the development, the size and location of the development area and the existing use of the site I consider that the proposal is unlikely to result in significant adverse effect on the environment and matters can be dealt with through adequate supporting information being submitted through the planning application process.

I confirm that an Environmental Statement will not be required to support a planning application submitted for the proposal described. This screening opinion was reached following consultation with various internal consultees and further to a written assessment and completion of a screening checklist, both of which I attach with this letter. All of these documents will be published on the Council's website and can be viewed under reference 24/0198.

Yours sincerely

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