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From:

Debbie Harkness on behalf of Alastair Maclean

Sent:

26 November 2010 11:21

To:

'Richard Jeffrey'

Cc:

Tom Aitchison; Donald McGougan

Subject: FW: Edinburgh Tram Network Infraco Sensitivity: Confidential

Richard,

Thanks for your email below, and your letter of 22 November. As I mentioned at our meeting on Wednesday, we are of the view that it is too early at present to formulate a strategy for any potential mediation, and the first step should be to proceed with our meeting with the Infraco to hear what they have

As we discussed on Wednesday, I think we are in danger of letting the process run away from us. My preference is to meet the consortium first and listen to what they have to say, and then for Tom to discuss the next steps in relation to mediation depending on the outcome of that meeting. I will send you a copy of our reply to Richard Walker when this is available.

Kind regards,

Alastair

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Dear all,

please see attached.

My view is the letter is written to seek to pressurise us and written with a wider audience in mind.

The content/approach is extraordinary, and we should derive some comfort from it. Item 7, namely the scope is the first item to be decided, and drives the first three items on his list. Item 4 - we would not accept any restriction/precondition on numbers or identity of attendees. Our response will need to cover confidentiality, and proposed mediation process.

I will acknowledge the letter for now, but also to say that we will be coming back with our comments upon his suggested agenda.

I cannot respond in more detail until I have an answer from you to the points raised in my letter to Alastair, which Alastair informs me you will not be responding to until after the CEC/BSC meeting. Please be aware that from a PR perspective I suspect BSC will use our tardiness in responding to their 'proposals' as further evidence of our unwillingness, and as such would implore you to get a response to me on the questions I have raised asap.

Thanks

Richard

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Dear Richard,

Please see attached copy letter relating to the above. I confirm this document will be hand delivered to Hazel Kennedy today.

(See attached file: 25.1.201.RJW.7557.pdf)

Regards,

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