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From: Rebecca Andrew
Sent: 02 May 2008 09:39
To: Donald McGougan
Subject: FW: Continuing Delay on Financial Close

Donald,

Here is John Ramsay's email. Can you share John Swinney's concerns with Willie (it may be necessary for him to speak with Ministers directly)

Rebecca

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Rebecca

As discussed this is a follow-up to my earlier note alerting you to Ministers' concerns about the continuing delay on Financial Close.

Mr Swinney has asked me to make very clear to the City of Edinburgh Council (and Tie) that, "as major funders, they are deeply concerned by the delays and want assurances that the delay is at an end"

You have advised me this afternoon that further uncertainty has developed over the course of the last few days and that BBS representatives from Germany are due to meet Tie.Ltd on Monday. I am assuming that we will have information on CEC's / Tie's formal position in the Promoter Report due Monday with a further updated position on the potential for further delay / impact when we meet on Wednesday afternoon. As said before, it is likely that we will raise a number of queries on the developing programme.

Regards

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