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Dear Mr Jones

**The M4 Motorway (Junction 23 (East of Magor) to West of Junction 29 (Castleton) and connecting roads) and the M48 Motorway (Junction 23 (East of Magor) Connecting Road Scheme 201-**

**The M4 Motorway (West of Magor to East of Castleton) and the A48(M) Motorway (West of Castleton to St Mellons) (Variation of various schemes) Scheme 201-**

**The London to Fishguard Trunk Road (East of Magor to Castleton) Order 201-**

**The M4 Motorway (Junction 23 (East of Magor) to West of Junction 29 (Castleton) and Connecting Roads) and the M48 Motorway (Junction 23 (East of Magor) Connecting Road) and the London to Fishguard Trunk Road (East of Magor to Castleton) (Side Roads) Order 201-**

Thank you for your letter of 8 March 2016 seeking the views of the Coal Authority on the above proposals.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department of Energy and Climate Change. As a statutory consultee, the Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

The Coal Authority Response:

I have reviewed the proposals and can confirm that the proposed development works fall outside of the defined coalfield. Accordingly, I can confirm that the Coal Authority has **no comments or observations to make.**

Yours sincerely

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