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Dear Sirs

**M4 Corridor Around Newport**

The M4 is the gateway to South Wales. The recent fires in the tunnels resulting in South Wales virtually grinding to a halt and the congestion experienced at peak periods is a deterrent to economic development of the area. As traffic increases these problems will get even worse . It is essential for the economic prosperity of South Wales that these problems are addressed and a high quality transport network including reliable, resilient motorway provided.

The Black route has been demonstrated to be the best performing of the options available. While it will result in some environmental impact, including designated environmental sites, with mitigation I believe this will be kept to a minimum and any resultant impact is out weighed by the benefits of providing a safer, reliable, resilient route into South Wales.

Hence I wish to express my strong support for the scheme as published in the draft orders.

Yours faithfully

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