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Sent by e-mail:

Dear Madam

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2017 (SI 571/2017) ('THE EIA REGULATIONS')

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Appeal by Mr John Simpson

Site Address: Land North of Brooklands Farm, Harward Dale, North Yorkshire, YO13 0DT

I refer to the above appeal.

The Secretary of State has considered the application in accordance with Regulation 14 (1) of the above Regulations.

The development proposed is as follows: Erection of general-purpose agricultural building and creation of a hardstanding and access track.

The development proposed falls within the description at 10 (b) of Schedule 2 to the above Regulations. In the opinion of the Secretary of State, having taken into account the criteria in Schedule 3 to the above Regulations, the proposal would not be likely to have significant effect on the environment for the following reasons:

The appeal site relates an area of land located to the north of Brooklands Farm, Harward Dale. The proposed building would be located in an open field, approximately 85m to the North of the nearest buildings at Brooklands Farm. The site is screened to the south by trees and there is a line of hedgerow to the north; however, the site may be visible from the C-class road that runs past the site and the adjacent track immediately to the north which provides a link between two public footpaths. The site will be accessed via an existing agricultural entrance from Moor End Road. The site is

located within the North Yorkshire Moors National Park, which is a designated sensitive area as defined by the EIA Regulations.

Although within a designated sensitive area, there would be no likely significant impacts in terms of noise, waste, contamination, flooding, ecology, arboriculture, archaeology, arboriculture, heritage issues or complex construction. Given the nature, scale and location of the proposal, the impacts of the development are unlikely to be significant. Consequently, while there may be some impact on the surrounding area and surrounding designated sensitive area as a result of this development, it would not be of a scale and nature likely to result in significant environmental impact. EIA is not required.

Accordingly, in exercise of the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by Regulations 14(1) and 7(5) of the above Regulations, the Secretary of State hereby directs that this development is not Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development.

Under regulation 28(1) of the above Regulations, the relevant planning authority must take steps to secure that this screening direction is placed on the part of the Planning Register which relates to the application in question. I would be grateful if you could do so to ensure that the Secretary of State's view is publicly available.

(This direction does not affect any duties of the appellant under other legislation, including The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017.)

Yours sincerely

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(Signed with the authority of the Secretary of State)

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