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Dear Steve,

I understand that you have received our recent plans. We would be interested in hearing your thoughts on them in our scheduled meeting this Friday.

I am saddened to hear that Jon Lawrence and his Consultant have visited the site today without allowing me the opportunity to meet with him, review the plans with him, and answer any questions that he may have. We feel that we are cooperating with MBC to the highest degree possible and Mr. Lawrence's recent action does not contribute to your promise to "work with" us as well.

With regards to the plans however, we hope that you will see that we have taken on board all of your advice and suggestions, and that of the Environment Agency. As further evidence of our commitment to the needs of MBC, you will notice that we have not allowed any soil works to recommence since the Temporary Stop Notice has expired. We are determined to resolve this issue swiftly, amicably and with the Planning and Environmental issues in the forefront of everyone's minds. We hope that our recently submitted plans reflect this obligation.

I would like it to be noted however that we feel that the authorities involved (MBC & the EA) have treated us inappropriately. MBC have given little thought to the needs of our business in terms of our employment & financial commitments and permitted development, and that the Enforcement Action taken has been unsuitable. We therefore hope that in the meeting on Friday, we can collectively work towards a comprehensive plan for moving forward.

Yours sincerely,

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