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Dear David

HS2 Phase One Environmental Statement

As you will know on 25 November we deposited the High Speed Rail (London – West Midlands) Bill and Environmental Statement (ES) in Parliament. In addition, in line with Standing Orders, the documents were deposited in a range of locations along the line of route and, as a courtesy, USB sticks were provided for Members in the Vote Office.

HS2 Ltd has discovered that a small number of pages were inadvertently omitted from some of the supporting information contained in the Technical Appendices (Volume 5) to the ES on the USB sticks. As you have no doubt already collected a USB stick from the Vote Office I am providing a replacement stick that contains the full Bill documentation with these omissions corrected. We have also replaced the USB stock in the Vote Office.

Most corrections relate to just one page, but a slightly greater number were omitted from a number of the Cultural Heritage reports and the Land Quality reports. These are very minor omissions in highly technical elements of the ES and do not prevent a proper understanding of the scheme or its environmental effects. However, I thought that it was appropriate to correct this omission.

HS2 Ltd have written in similar terms to local authority deposit locations to update their USB sticks.

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