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Dear. Rt Hon Dr Vince Cable

REF: GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION RB Co + TENANTS APRIL 2013

I write to air my support for Punch Taverns as a RB Company.

I took my first pub lease in December 3rd, 1987 at the ^{with} ^{Co, which eventually} was purchased by Punch Taverns. I operated this site until it was sold in 2011 and also had 3 other Punch pubs during this time on RB Co leases. One of these, the ^{Co}, I continue to operate to this day.

During these years of punch lease ownership, I have received investment, rent reductions, free stock, credit flexibility, marketing assistance, and also the freedom to create my own business. This support individually + collectively (on all my punch pubs) significantly helped me to operate safe, legal + compliant businesses. Part of this success was my relationship with various BDM's down the years who have provided help + support along the way.

I continue to operate a punch pub and will continue to do so for the foreseeable future and if my experience is anything to go by, I would recommend them in the future.

Yours Sincerely

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