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Dear ESSRB members,

**Assurances relating the High Speed Rail (London – West Midlands Bill) –
Euston Material by Rail study**

Further to the discussion at the ESSRB on 27 June, the report on Material by Rail was submitted to the Secretary of State for his consideration. The final report is attached. The Secretary of State has now confirmed that he accepts HS2's recommendation and proposed next steps.

I am very grateful to the member organisations of ESSRB for your fulsome involvement in the process thus far. All of you have committed substantial officer time to this study, and as a consequence we have a thorough analysis of the issues. Given the community interest in the issue, we will be publishing the report shortly.

David Prout