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Dear Sirs.

Re: Representations to the Consultation on Main Modifications to the Barrow Borough Local Plan

On behalf of our client, FCC Environment Ltd (FCC) we are writing to make representations to the consultation on Main Modifications to the Barrow Borough Local Plan.

Policy EC8 regards economic diversification in relation to tourism. FCC supports the statement that "The Borough's tourism offer will be developed in a sustainable and competitive manner, to enhance its role as a high-quality tourism destination. The Local Plan supports the creation, enhancement and expansion of tourist attractions and tourist infrastructure, in order to attract new visitors from outside the area". FCC agrees with the modification MAM20 to remove former criteria b-e for policy EC8 as they are replicated within other policies elsewhere in the Plan.

Policy EC9 relates to caravan and camping sites. FCC agrees with the modification MAM21 to remove former criteria b, c, d and f for policy EC9 as they are replicated within other policies elsewhere in the Plan.

FCC supports the modification MAM22 to Policy EC11 (Catering Holiday Accommodation) to enable holiday accommodation outside of urban boundaries. Paragraph 84 of the NPPF states that "Planning policies and decisions should recognise that sites to meet local businesses and community needs in rural areas may have to be found adjacent to or beyond

existing settlements". FCC consider that the revised policy is now in line with the NPPF.

FCC particularly supports the statement in Policy EC11 "New build self-catering holiday accommodation within urban fringe or rural areas will be accepted where it meets criteria b-g". This is in line with the NPPF which states that "planning policies and decisions should enable: ... c) sustainable rural tourism leisure developments which respect the character of the countryside..." (paragraph 83).

We would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of these representations. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,



For and on behalf of Sirius Planning Ltd