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Dear Sir,

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 - SECTION 78
APPEAL BY BIFFA WASTE SERVICES LTD
AT NEWHURST QUARRY, ASHBY ROAD EAST, SHEPSHED, LE12 9BU**

1. I wrote to you on 19th April inviting comments on the relevance of the National Planning Policy Framework ("the Framework") to the case presented at the inquiry for the above planning appeal.
2. Subsequently requests have been made by Nicky Morgan MP and on behalf of the group CHAIN for an extension of the stated deadline of 4th May for parties to submit any comments. After careful consideration, this letter is to confirm that comments should now be submitted by no later than **11th May** (i.e. allowing parties one further week). Any comments received will then be circulated to the main parties, giving a further 5 working days within which final comments must be made. The Secretary of State will then proceed to a final decision taking all comments into account. We aim to issue a final decision by **14th June**.
3. As I indicated previously, your comments must be confined to issues related directly to the Framework and must not seek to raise any other matters. Comments may be submitted by letter or email to richard.watson@communities.gsi.gov.uk copied to james.henderson@communities.gsi.gov.uk. In the interests of efficiency, comments will only be circulated to the main parties and those who make representations. Other parties will also be sent copies only if they make a specific request.
4. This letter has been copied to all recipients of my letter of 19th April.

Yours faithfully,

Richard Watson