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Attention: David.Cross@merthyr.gov.uk
Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council

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BY EMAIL:

RE: P/22/0206: QUARRY DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – ADDENDUM

**First Periodic Review of Old Minerals Permissions (ROMP) at Vaynor
Quarry pursuant to Environment Act 1995
Vaynor Quarry, Trefechan, Merthyr Tydfil, CF48 2LA**

Thomas Boothroyd, Development Management Officer Minerals and Waste at Carmarthenshire County Council has provided me with your contact details.

Within the Environmental Statement for the Vaynor Quarry First Periodic ROMP dated August 2022, Sections 1.3 and 3.0 described the Quarry Development Scheme with the aid of a series of drawings representing the extent of quarry workings at the end of each phase.

Throughout the Quarry Development Scheme, stone extraction was shown to take place both above and below the winter water table to achieve the permitted lateral and vertical quarrying limits.

During the First Periodic Review consultation process, Natural Resources Wales (NRW) raised concerns regarding the impact of quarry dewatering upon the adjacent Nant y Glais SSSI and Taf Fechan SSSI.

Acknowledging NRW's concerns, Heidelberg Materials UK ("Heidelberg") propose a revision to the Quarry Development Scheme whereby for the first six phases (i.e. up to 55 years from the recommencement of quarrying), extraction of permitted limestone reserves would be restricted to above the winter water table.

Towards the end of Phase 6, Heidelberg will progress a scheme of working that will address concerns over potential hydrogeological impact of working below the winter water table. The scheme will be submitted to the MPA for consideration following which the permitted limestone reserves below the winter water table will be quarried in accordance with the scheme of working.

SLR Consulting Limited have been instructed by Heidelberg Materials to draft an addendum to the aforementioned ROMP application for Vaynor Quarry by producing a revision to the **Quarry Development Scheme** that was submitted as part of the 2022 ROMP.

The Addendum is attached and is accompanied by a series of amended drawings.

Please note that the First Periodic Review ROMP dated August 2022 was submitted by Hanson Quarry Products Europe Limited (HQPE) under the trading name of Hanson UK. In October 2023, Hanson UK changed its trading name to Heidelberg Materials UK as part of the global rebranding initiative by their parent company, HeidelbergCement, which is now known as Heidelberg Materials.

Please note that all drawings forming part of this Addendum now refer to Heidelberg Materials UK. The rest of the Environmental Statement and its appendices remain unchanged.

Regards,

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Attachments

Quarry Development Scheme Addendum

Appendices

Appendix A Revised Phasing Plans (relating to Merthyr Tydfil CBC)

Appendix B Revised Phasing Plans (relating to Brecon Beacons National Park)

Drawings:

Existing Quarry:	(V6/PR/MT/6.0)
Quarry Phase 1: 5 Year Plan	(V6/PR/MT/6.1)
Quarry Phase 2: 10 Year Plan	(V6/PR/MT/6.2)
Quarry Phase 3: 15 Year Plan	(V6/PR/MT/6.3)
Quarry Phase 4: 25 Year Plan	(V6/PR/MT/6.4)
Quarry Phase 5: 40 Year Plan	(V6/PR/MT/6.5)
Quarry Phase 6: 55 Year Plan	(V6/PR/MT/6.6)
Quarry Phase 7: 75 Year Plan	(V6/PR/MT/6.7)
Final Quarry Development Plan:	(V6/PR/MT/6.8)
Quarry Cross Sections:	(V6/PR/MT/13A)



Restoration Concept for Mining Site: (V6/PR/MT/14) *

Quarry Bench Restoration Treatments: (V6/PR/MT/15) *

Restoration Concept for Overall Quarry: (V6/PR/MT/16) *

Quarry Waste Tip Plan and Cross Sections: (V6/PR/MT/17) *

North East Screen Bund: (V6/PR/MT/18) *

Appendix C Stantec UK Limited Letter

Appendix D Drawing changes between 2022 ROMP and 2025 revision

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