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Your ref: CL/08/0367  
Our ref: NA/SLS/059  
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Dear [REDACTED]

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997  
THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATIONS)  
(SCOTLAND) DIRECTION 2007  
EXTRACTION OF COAL AND FIRECLAY BY OPENCAST METHODS WITH  
RESTORATION TO AGRICULTURE AND WOODLAND  
LAND AT MAINSHILL ADJOINING A70 AND B7078 NR NEWMAINS FARM,  
DOUGLAS**

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your Council's letter and enclosures dated 18 February 2009, which were received in this office on 20 February 2009, relating to the above development, notified to the Scottish Ministers in accordance with paragraph no 1 to the Schedule of the above Direction. I also acknowledge receipt of the application form which was received in this office today by fax.

The period within which the Scottish Ministers may require your authority to refer the application to them for decision is 28 days from 23 February 2009, provided that the period may be extended before it expires if necessary to allow the Scottish Ministers to complete their consideration of the proposal.

Yours sincerely

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