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To The Right Honourable Hazel Blears, MP  
Secretary of State for Communities  
and Local Government .

Madam

### **Planning and Compensation Act 2004, section 8**

### **Report of the examination in public of draft regional spatial strategy for the East Midlands**

We have the honour to report that we were appointed to conduct an examination in public into a draft revision of regional spatial strategy for the East Midlands of England. In Northamptonshire this revision covered only housing numbers which had been deleted from the Milton Keynes and South Midlands Sub Regional Strategy following a challenge in the High Court. In the remainder of the Region the revision covered the whole range of strategic proposals.

We held the examination over eight weeks between 22 May 2007 and 19 July 2007. We now submit our Report.

We have the honour to be  
Madam,

Your obedient Servants,



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