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iject: LDN Riverside Ltd, Unit J, Abbey Industrial Estate, Kingsbridge Road, Barking IG11 0BD

**Date:** 14 April 2023 20:00:45

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ATTN: Licencing Department, LBBD

REF: LDN Riverside, Unit J, Abbey Industrial Estate, Kingsbridge Road, Barking IG11 OBP

As a representative of the business IEFS 17 Ltd (t/a Ketra Logistics) based at Units F & G Abbey Wharf, Kingsbridge Road, Barking IG11 OBP I hereby give notice of our objections to the above licence application.

Ketra Logistics being the direct neighbour of Unit J, is a 24 hour 6 – 7 day a week operation consisting of the transportation and distribution of palletised freight. We continually operate a fleet of 7 44t articulated HGV vehicles with a further 9 40ft trailers, 10 rigid HGV vehicles and 6 vans. At any time during peak periods this can almost double with the addition of a near identical fleet based in Thamesmead which is often called upon to support the operation. We also operate 7 forklift trucks with over 90% of our loading and unloading operation carried out outside of the building.

We operate independently to the rest of the site and have done so for over 20 years with no recorded accidents but if the proposed licencing were to be approved, our genuine concerns for public safety increase substantially due to the following reasons:

- Unsuitable lighting for public access
- No suitable public footpaths for safe access & egress
- Insufficient parking spaces
- Forklift trucks operating in open spaces
- Constant movement of HGV vehicles in and out of the estate
- Increased risk of harm due to alcohol consumption in HGV operating area
- Increased risk of harm due to alcohol consumption in FLT operating area

We also have public nuisance and noise pollution concerns, having recently experienced the proposed tenants testing their sound equipment in the unit, at the point of testing, we experienced the windows in our building shaking a rattling violently and could not hear simple telephone conversations with our clients due to the noise levels. This could also have safety implications for pedestrians and members of the public travelling around the estate if our HGV vehicles and Forklift Truck warning signals cannot be suitably heard.

We would further like to object on the grounds of crime and disorder. As we all know with alcohol consumption comes the decrease in inhibitions and as such feel that our vehicles and freight are at risk of theft and damage. We would also have huge concerns that our equipment such as the trailers would be climbed on and risk serious injury due to slips and falls from height.

Please do not hesitate to contact me by return, should you need clarification or to discuss further.

Kind regards

Group Operations Manager

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