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MEDWAY COUNCIL

Mr. Alan Jarrett
Leader of Medway Council
Gun Wharf - Dock Road
Chatham
Kent ME4 4TR
UNITED KINGDOM

May 31, 2021

Dear Mr. Jarrett,

Re : Save Chatham Docks

I write to you on behalf of one of our most important European assets, ArcelorMittal Kent Wire Ltd, based in Chatham Docks.

As I'm sure you are aware ArcelorMittal Kent Wire Ltd is involved with a number of critical infrastructure projects in the UK including HS2 and the Thames Tideway tunnel, and is in early stage engaged with the Lower Thames Crossing project. The company is actively recruiting a further 60 staff to join the existing team of 170 to meet the demand from these projects. ArcelorMittal Kent Wire Ltd is a successful company and makes a significant contribution to the overall success of ArcelorMittal Europe.

ArcelorMittal is the world's largest steel maker with more than 168,000 people working in the Group producing nearly 72 million tonnes of crude steel in 17 countries and customers in 160 countries. ArcelorMittal has invested substantially in Kent Wire for more than 30 years at its base in Chatham Docks and will continue to do so in the future.

We are concerned of the unthinkable prospect of the potential threat of Chatham Docks closing to allow houses to be built and wish to bring to your notice that ArcelorMittal is fully supporting the campaign organised by our CEO at Kent Wire.

ArcelorMittal fully intends to renew its leases in 2025 and is entitled to do so within the Landlord & Tenant Act 1954 and will not waiver from backing the campaign to save Chatham Docks, using all means at our disposal, to ensure the site at Chatham Docks is protected as a working dock and employment site.

ArcelorMittal is hopeful that due process will deliver the right outcome for Chatham Docks and Medway and is willing to assist Medway Council in whatever way it can to ensure Chatham Docks is saved now and for the future.

Yours faithfully,

Augustine Kochuparampil
CEO ArcelorMittal Europe - Long Products