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Dear Steve

Re : Go Ape High Wire Course at Rivington, Lancashire

I am writing to give United Utilities full support to the proposed Go-Ape High Wire course at Rivington. The proposed site is located west of Great House Barn and is adjacent to Lower Rivington Reservoir, as such there are the existing facilities of a café, information centre and toilets which the participants could use.

The proposed site is approximately 2 hectares and predominantly corsican pine and beech woodland. Go-Ape's method of construction prevents damage to the trees as strapping is used to support the course rather than direct attachment to the trees. As all participants need to pre-book the increase in visitors will not be a significant to this popular site. Go-Ape's safety record and health and safety procedures are excellent and we do not foresee any issues relating to this.

Go-Ape will offer a mentally and physically challenging activity for visitors and enable them to view the environment from a completely new perspective. This facility will provide an opportunity for local schools, organizations, businesses and members of the public to enjoy this unique experience without affecting the enjoyment of other visitors. Go-Ape will bring additional economic benefits to the local community as participants will utilize the existing cafes and shops etc and go-ape will also employ a number of people to manage the site.

Yours sincerely,

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