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Dear Sirs

SIDMOUTH STREET, BLOOMSBURY
Axter project reference no: 7558/90/PW-M

Please see below an explanation of the Q37 bio-diverse roof system proposed for both North and South Blocks on this project, as requested.

This specification has been compiled to meet the project design and planning requirements for bio-diversity.

Specification document 7558-3/Rev.1 calls for a pre-established bio-diverse mat to be installed once the growing substrate is in situ. This planting ensures that established plants (rather than a seed mix) that conform to the planning and ecology report are installed to the roof. Established plants obviously have a greater chance of survival and further establishment than that of a seed mix, as they have been grown in a controlled environment and harvested for installation once of a sufficient size to withstand the trauma of relocation. Pre-established planting mats require a less intensive maintenance regime, will withstand aggressive species invasion better than a seed broadcast and will provide an immediate established aesthetic, thus improving the appearance of the roof.

I trust this information meets your requirements. Please hesitate to contact me if you should have any questions.

Yours faithfully

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