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Dear Jenny,

As you may be aware, the Health Services Laboratories at the Halo building, 1 Mabledon Place, will be providing critical testing capacity for the UK's National Testing Programme in the fight against COVID-19. This will require the conversion of an existing office floor into a purpose built Covid19 testing facility, on an expedited timeline, to provide support during the peak winter season. HSL will be submitting an application for flexible construction hours to Camden Council for the period of this build.

Once the new lab starts processing samples from mid-December, HSL will need to provide 24/7 receipt of samples collected from test sites across the UK. This rapid response will allow infected individuals to self-isolate, while others can return to work or other duties. Every effort will be taken to ensure out of hours deliveries cause minimal noise.

I understand that these activities may cause some unwanted noise for nearby residents, but trust that you understand the critical nature of this work and would request any support you can offer to allow this construction and delivery schedule to proceed.

Yours ever,

Dame Anna Dominiczak