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Dear Roger

HIAL Centralised ATM Facility

Thank you for your letter dated 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017 regarding the location of HIAL's proposed centralised remote tower facility. The HIAL Board was delighted to brief the Caithness Airport Consultative Committee/Transport Forum on our future plans during our visit last November. In doing so we learned more about the economic development plans for Wick and Caithness. It's clear that there is a strong business community partnership at play and positive ideas for the economy of the area.

I appreciate you taking the time to write, seeking our consideration of Wick as a possible location for HIAL's Air Traffic Control centre. The HIAL Board is not yet at the stage of taking a decision on location, which will only be made once all options and proposals have been considered thoroughly. We do hope to arrive at a decision by summer this year and I have given assurance to Trudi Morris as Chair of Caithness Airport Consultative Committee/Transport Forum that we will ensure that Wick is given full and proper consideration. I will ensure that both your letter and Trudi's, are amongst the papers that the Board consider in advance of taking that decision.

Please do get in touch if I can be of further assistance.

Best Regards



Lorna Jack  
Chair