



Celtic Energy Limited
9 Beddau Way
Castlegate Business Park
Caerphilly CF83 2AX

Tel: 029 2076 0990
Directors Fax: 029 2088 7427
Finance Fax: 029 2076 0996

Our Ref: RJKT/CN/0001

18 May 2012

David Arnold
Team Leader South
Planning Control
Environmental Services
Derbyshire County Council
Shand House
Dale Road South
Matlock
Derbyshire
DE4 3RY

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED			
22 MAY 2012			
PASS TO	INT	DATE	
21			

Dear David

RE: Proposed Clover Nook Surface Mine – Mineral Exploration

Following our recent meetings and discussions we are now looking to firm up our proposals by undertaking some further site investigations at the Clover Nook site.

As such please accept this letter and enclosed plan as an application under the **GDPO 1995 Part 22, Mineral Exploration, Class B**. It is our intention to carry out exploration via the drilling of both cable percussion and air flushed rotary boreholes and then using a geologger to record the geological data. There may also be a limited requirement for shallow trial pitting in some locations dependent on the results of the drilling. Existing agricultural access will be used to gain entry onto the land to all borehole locations.

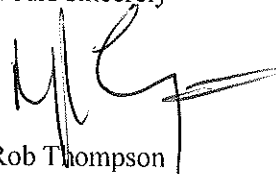
The attached plan shows the area of land in question, all drilling operations will be regulated under a Coal Authority Exploration License and will be carried out by APEX Drilling from Bridgend who are extremely competent and acknowledged as one of the best exploratory drilling firms in the country.

Once an Exploration License has been granted by the Coal Authority which is anticipated to be by mid June we would intend to begin exploration works. All works will be completed within a six month window.

I trust that this is satisfactory for the purpose of allowing us permission to drill. Should you require any further information then please feel free to contact me on 02920 760990 or 07977 197129.

Regards

Yours sincerely


Rob Thompson
Mine Manager