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1<sup>st</sup> December 2015

Dear Mr Tweddle LL.B

Re: Regulation 28 Report to prevent future deaths.

In reply to your letter dated 19<sup>th</sup> October 2015.

Darlington Auction Mart Co Ltd believe that the measures in place before the tragic loss of life of Kyle Hull were enough to make persons entering the Darlington Mart premises at Clifton road aware that the area is a working environment and that any person attempting to gain access to any of the roof areas of any building were doing so at their own risk. The premises after the tragic event on the 7<sup>th</sup> of April 2015 were visited by Police, HSE and our insurance firm, they were all satisfied with the levels of signage and the systems in place to secure the site.

However, we as a company will do what is believed to be correct and in the interests of the inquest, the family of Kyle Hull, local individuals that have raised concern and to deter other persons from entering the grounds.

Since the inquest we have had two CCTV firms out to measure the site, both have taken time in what type of CCTV would be needed, the number of CCTV's, maximising the area of coverage as the design of the mart makes it extremely hard to cover every corner. The conclusion was that CCTV's with night vision, movement detection and linkage to the internet where the images can be streamed to Mobile phones of company management.

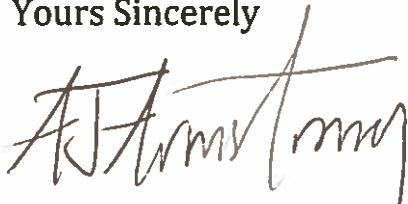
This system above does involve a lot of civil works and cabling within the grounds also a full upgrade of the computer systems within the office to enable this to run correctly. Our software programs provider has quoted £6000

The quotations that have been received are currently within the region of £15,000 to £20,000, with yearly maintenance and service charges.

The situation is that we are currently looking to finance this level of expenditure. The conclusion to this issue will have a final decision by the 18<sup>th</sup> of December at the last yearly board meeting of the company.

I look forward to hearing you reply Mr Tweddle, we as a company and I as a company director and representative are supportive to the issues you raised.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. J. Armstrong". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.