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Please accept the following response as clarification of Canterbury Council's concerns.

1. During the night period the workforce will return to site for meal breaks by light vehicles.
2. Outside meal breaks the workforce does not return to the compound.
3. The following has been taken from the page 3-9 of the Modification Assessment Report.
"With respect to scenario 3, it should be noted that there would be infrequent use of crane in the compound (limited to lifting delivered assets from a back of the truck during the day and depositing items onto the back of a truck during planned/unscheduled closures). This only happens when a large asset item of the M5 East requires refurbishment /replacement. Exceedance of criteria are not expected because it is proposed that if the truck mounted crane must be used at night, it would be parked in the middle of the site where the site buildings shield noise from surrounding residences."

Further, the following is taken from page 2 of the PAE Holmes Response to OEH Review of Noise Impact Assessment. *"Table 7-1 presents the calculated intrusive noise levels with a 2.1m fence in place. Scenario 3 is included in this table just to demonstrate the degree of non-compliance that would occur with scenario 3, as was in fact clearly stated on page 19 of the report. Scenario 3 has only been included in order to demonstrate the potential non-compliance that would occur with the fence in place, should the truck mounted crane be used in the storage area at the western end of the site instead of behind the site buildings as is recommended. A recommendation of the report is that unloading is not carried out in the manner described in Scenario 3. Scenario 4 presents the case when unloading is carried out where the site buildings provide shielding to the nearest residences, as recommended in the report. In this case predicted noise levels are comfortably within the night time criteria."*