

**Re: UK PPE Manufacturing with capacity of 137 million FFP2/3 Mask proposal**

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Paul Deighton

To: Stuart Marks &lt;stuart@stuartmarks.co.uk&gt;

17 May 2020 at 14:28

Thanks Stuart - will do

Sent from my iPad

On 17 May 2020, at 14:18, Stuart Marks &lt;stuart@stuartmarks.co.uk&gt; wrote:

Dear Paul

I would be grateful if you could take a look at this. Haraldur is a generous and loyal supporter of the Party and as you will read from his email is making a big commitment to supporting UK manufacturing of PPE.

Best regards

Stuart

From: Haraldur Agustsson  
Sent: 15 May 2020 16:07  
To: Stuart Marks <stuart@stuartmarks.co.uk>  
Subject: UK PPE Manufacturing with capacity of 137 million FFP2/3 Mask proposal

Dear Stuart,

Would you please forward this on to Lord Deighton?

Kind regards

Haraldur

Dear Lord Deighton,

I appreciate you are very busy but do hope you are well.

Further to our various communication with yourself and wider Government our investment and manufacturing plans have now advanced to the final stages. I have attached in the body of the email our capacity, employment generation and capex forecasts.

In broad terms, UK manufactured capacity of around 135 million FFP2 / FFP3 masks and over 100 million Type IIR surgical and face covering masks with around 100 million units per month. Irrelevant & Sensitive  
is not an insignificant sum without an appropriate level of return. I should also mention that our fit test success ratio is very high.

This capacity is well in excess of what would be needed in normal non-pandemic times, so we would have additional capacity when required.

We are commissioning one new production plant as we speak which will be producing first products during June, scaling up to full capacity in the coming weeks and months. There is a second production plant site due to be purchased and converted to produce the raw material (meltblown filter media) to enable us to produce these volumes. Procuring enough raw material is proving difficult so we feel for security this second factory to produce melt blown (and technical filter media) is vitally important. As you know, we are a UK based and owned Group of companies and a market leader for a number of years.

We have been present through this crisis and have put the UK first in our supply chain, not exporting or putting other countries first. I should add that we have prioritized the UK front lines over and above our usual customer base which has caused considerable cost and risk for the business.

I read with real disappointment, the contract awards to two non UK based Groups. One US group (with European HQ in France) and a Group listed in Greece for melt blown. Whilst I certainly do not expect the UK to be wholly dependent on us for supply of PPE, as yet there has been no similar engagement or contract discussion with us. We are more than ready with high quality products and a higher manufacturing capacity than what is being offered elsewhere. We continue to have regular engagement with the cabinet office and NHS England but no firm commitment to actually do anything or even place firm ongoing orders. Without this, the project would be questionable.

I would appreciate a call to discuss if there is anything that can be done to make this project viable and for us to make the UK a force once more for PPE manufacture. Commitment somewhere around 50 – 100 million FFP2 or FFP3 masks (I believe 70m to Honeywell) would be sufficient to secure the future of these manufacturing plants. I would request that you give this due consideration and revert.

I look forward to hearing from you shortly.

Your sincerely

Haraldur

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