

The Directors
Colchester Commercial (Holdings)
Limited and its subsidiary companies
Rowan House
33 Sheepen Road
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21st August 2023

Dear Sirs,

Reference: Going Concern and Public Liabilities

We are writing to formally confirm our continued support for the Amphora companies.

As the parent organisation, we acknowledge and undertake our responsibility to provide ongoing financial support for the Amphora Group. This commitment is essential to enable the companies within the group to prepare their financial statements on a going concern basis and ensure their continued existence.

In this letter, we would like to draw your attention to the ongoing discussions between ourselves and Colchester Commercial Holdings Limited (CCHL) regarding the acquisition of Colchester Amphora Energy Limited's (CAEL) assets. The objective behind this initiative is to facilitate the hibernation of CAEL, which means it will not meet the criteria for the going concern basis in their accounts to 31st March 2023. However, we wish to confirm that CAEL will continue to receive our support until its hibernation.

We have agreed to purchase the assets of CAEL at its historical cost as at 31st March 2023.

Furthermore, we have agreed to provide subsidies, in the form of a management fee, to address the revenue reserves deficit within the company up to its date of hibernation.

Additionally, we wish to confirm that Colchester City Council (CCC) will retain all pension assets and liabilities arising under IAS19. This applies to employees of the Amphora group who are members of the Essex County Council Pension Fund, in accordance with the Deeds of Variation of Services Agreement dated 26 March 2020 between CCC, CCHL, and Colchester Amphora Trading Limited (CATL).

If you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us. We value open communication and are committed to addressing any concerns or queries you may have.

Yours sincerely,



Chris Hartgrove FCCA
Service Director (Shared) – Finance (Deputy Section 151 Officer)

