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RE: Brands Hatch – Filming Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th February

I am the Location Manager on the above referenced feature film and am writing to inform you about some filming in your local area. The aim of this letter is to give you a little more detail about the project and to provide an outline of what we are trying to achieve.

RUSH is a film about 1970's motor-racing. Legendary Formula 1 racing drivers Niki Lauda and James Hunt were more than just fierce rivals, they were totemic figures that defined an era. Their struggle for the 1976 World Championship is one of the great stories in twentieth-century sport. Colourful personalities, controversial and charismatic, they approached their private lives and their profession in totally different ways, but both were willing to risk everything in pursuit of victory. A study in ambition, competition, courage, suffering and triumph, *RUSH* is the story of that remarkable 1976 season, and of that unforgettable rivalry - the like of which has never been seen since.

The team behind this feature-film production have a proven track record of critically acclaimed, award-winning movies. Director *Ron Howard* has received global recognition for many of his films, including his Academy Award-winning *APOLLO 13* and *A BEAUTIFUL MIND*. British writer *Peter Morgan* is one of the UK's highest regarded and most successful screenwriters, with many award-winning credits including *THE QUEEN* and *FROST/NIXON*. With its impressive list of principle cast-members, *RUSH* promises to generate industry fervour and public interest around the globe.

We are in the process of establishing how best to piece together what is actually a very complicated film to make. We are using various circuits around the UK to recreate many different tracks from the infamous 1976 season and your very own Brands Hatch is being proposed for a number of different prospects. During the film different parts of the circuit will appear as the Paul Ricard circuit, Ferrari's private test track at Fiorano and the Italian Grand Prix track at Monza.

Filming at Brands Hatch (on both the GP Loop and Indy Section) will take place initially over the course of two days: Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th February. The scenes to be filmed on the circuit will be shot using replica Historic F1 cars that have been specifically engineered to specifications that limit engine noise - they may look like the 1970's cars you remember, but they will sound more like an average road car. We have liaised closely with the local authorities, as well as the Brands Hatch Liaison Group to establish a set of viable proposals. For many very valuable reasons, all parties are delighted at the prospect of our bringing this production work to the local area.

We will be returning later in the year to Brands Hatch (mid May), to shoot the final few scenes of our film. However, we will write to you again closer to the time as a gentle reminder and to provide more information. For these dates we hope to set up a safe spectator zone for members of the local community wishing to have a look at what happens on a film shoot of this nature. We are also hoping to offer the prospect of appearing as a background artist ('Extra'), details of which will be provided in due course.

My Department and the Production as a whole comprise a very conscientious crew, with experience of working in highly sensitive locations on all our projects. Please rest assured that every step will be taken to protect the needs and requirements of the local community and you should be confident that we will bear in mind the sensitive requirements of all those potentially affected by our filming.

We very much look forward to bringing this project to Brands Hatch and would like to thank you in advance for your patience and understanding during the shoot. If you do have any queries or comments, please do contact us as per the details below.

Many thanks for taking the time to read through this letter.
With best regards,

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