

## Witness Statement

Continuation of Statement of **MARK**

On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2009 at 6am I met \_\_\_\_\_ who was staying at \_\_\_\_\_ apartment in East London. I had informed \_\_\_\_\_ that the hire of the truck would be £278 pounds plus a £500 deposit. Paul gave to me £700 in cash and made a note that he owed me a further £78 pound. He joked saying that he did not expect that we would be in a position to get the deposit back.

On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2009 at a secure location I met with DI Hutcheson. DI Hutcheson read to me the instructions to undercover officers. He then briefed me regarding the operation and my objectives as follows.

1. Provide pre-emptive intelligence on a potential attack on Ratcliffe on Sour power station.
2. To explore possible opportunities for disruption for the planned attack on Ratcliffe on Sour Power Station.
3. To record any conversations with co-conspirators using an audio recording device. Namely \_\_\_\_\_
4. Further to this, to comply with use and conduct authorities, namely to hire the vehicle for the action to be used to transport activists. To conduct a dry run prior to the event over Easter. To drive the vehicle to muster points. To drive the vehicle to Ratcliffe on Sour main gates or as directed and drop off activists. Not to enter the power station. To use participatory authority to trespass, obstruct and cause criminal damage as a last resort. To provide details of any vehicles to be used on the action. To provide details of muster points for the action.

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 09 I hired a 7 and half ton truck from AVR vehicle leasing in Nottingham. The Registration number of the vehicle was BX08CDN.

The previous evening \_\_\_\_\_ had approached me at the Sumac centre and asked me if I had any knowledge about driving offences as he had been approached to take on a similar role to myself in the forthcoming action. I explained that using a vehicle for a purpose it was not intended for may invalidate the insurance which could be quite serious. I also said that I was not intending to use my vehicle to damage any gates or fences as the police could then get really heavy on the drivers because of putting the passengers in the back of the truck in danger. I went on to say that because we hire the vehicles we have to give all our correct details so we are easily traceable and become targets.

I had parked the truck in Mount Street, Nottingham. I was approached at the Sumac centre by a lad called \_\_\_\_\_ who lives at the \_\_\_\_\_ Housing Coop, \_\_\_\_\_. He said that I should attend his home for a drivers meeting at 4pm on the Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April 09.

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April 09 at 4pm I went to \_\_\_\_\_ where I met with \_\_\_\_\_ also a resident at the address and \_\_\_\_\_ who I know lives in Nottingham and attends the Sumac centre on occasions.

We then cycled to the Sneinton area of Nottingham, eventually arriving at the Iona school. There I met with \_\_\_\_\_ who had travelled in a hired minibus from Bristol; \_\_\_\_\_ and about 7 other people.

The reason the Iona school was used would appear to be because of a person who rents a space there. \_\_\_\_\_ is a vegan cook who runs a small vegan cake baking enterprise. She has access to the school and would appear to have been approached because of her friendships with activists involved in this particular action. When I saw \_\_\_\_\_ and spoke with her it was clear to me that she had not been made aware of the magnitude of the action and numbers of people involved. She appeared uncomfortable and in a difficult position.

We were given a drivers briefing that was conducted by \_\_\_\_\_. By means of a recording device I attempted to record this briefing. This recording failed due to a technical fault.

Signature: Mark

Signature Witnessed by: \_\_\_\_\_