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Sir Richard,

Thank you for your letter of 16 December 2008 and your warm wishes. The referendum result must have been a great disappointment for you after all the work put into developing the bid.

I would like to thank you and officers both in the City Council and Greater Manchester Passenger Transport Executive for all your hard work over the past couple of years.

Yours sincerely  
Geoff

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I am looking forward to seeing you soon  
to discuss options for the future.