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Dear Kirsty,

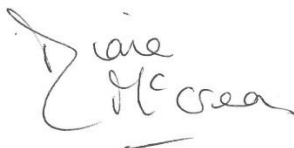
Letter from Mr Bramhall dated 21st June 2018 regarding ‘Scientific evidence relevant to Petition P-05-785 Suspend Marine Licence 12/45/ML to dump radioactive marine sediments from the Hinkley Point nuclear site into Wales coastal waters off Cardiff.’

Thank you for forwarding Mr Bramhall’s second letter dated 21st June 2018, regarding the licence to dispose of marine sediment into the Cardiff Grounds disposal site.

We appreciate that Mr Bramhall holds robust yet differing views around the suitability of the current assessment procedure, developed by the IAEA (International Atomic Energy Agency). We are required to follow these procedures and, as stated in our previous letter, we are satisfied that Cefas analysed the samples in accordance with these internationally recognised standards. As such, we do not consider it appropriate to request further sampling or to suspend the Marine licence.

We understand that the UK Government’s department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) are the appropriate authority to influence any changes to the current standards and would recommend that Mr Bramhall continues to communicate with them and their advisory bodies.

Yours sincerely,



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