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*Dear Marianne*

Following recent correspondence, please find attached the response in relation to the representations that I made on your behalf.

Yours sincerely,

*Therese*



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Dear Dr Coffey

**RE: Update on the Revision of REPPIR**

Thank you for your letter asking for an update on progress of the revision of REPPIR.

The European Commission brought forward a formal proposal for a new Basic Safety Standards Directive (BSSD) which was adopted on the 5th December 2013. The BSSD sets basic safety standards for protection against the dangers arising from exposure to ionising radiation. It takes into account recommendations of the International Commission on Radiological Protection, and new scientific evidence and operational experience.

The UK Government has to implement the Directive into UK law by the 6 February 2018. This will require changes to various sets of UK legislation including the Radiation (Emergency Preparedness and Public Information) Regulations 2001 (REPPIR). A cross government group has been convened to ensure a consistent approach to implementation across UK government. DECC are leading this programme working closely with the Health and Safety Executive (which owns the REPPIR legislation), other government departments, and officials from the devolved administrations to implement the Directive.

In line with the recommendations in the BSSD, the UK will be reviewing REPPIR. This legislation underpins the planning that Local Authorities are required to undertake to protect the public in the event of an incident at a nuclear site.

Yours sincerely

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