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Dear Mr Hastings

DOUNREAY STAKEHOLDER GROUP

The Dounreay Stakeholder Group has read with interest the reports in the media regarding the delays in assessing the bids for leasing the seabed in the Pentland Firth.

The group is also aware that a number of representations have also been made from Caithness organisations voicing concerns over these delays and that you have responded agreeing to meetings to discuss the progress and concerns that remain.

The DSG, via local organisations, looks forward to hearing about the progress being made and how The Crown Estates are going to address the concerns raised by other parties.

We would also like to record that we are fully supportive of the organisations who have previously raised concerns and look forward to a successful outcome.

Yours sincerely

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