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Dear Mr Bargelt

REDUCTION IN SUPPORT AND OVERHEAD COSTS

At the DSG socio economic sub group meeting held on 15th April it was noted that in the letter sent on 23 March with regard to the NDA business plan that the NDA are looking at support and overhead cost reductions being applied across the NDA's entire estate including reduction of NDA's own operating costs.

DSG members would like to discuss with you the possibility of relocating some support services to Caithness which could service the whole of the NDA estate. By relocating support services to Caithness and locating them off the nuclear site, we believe that support services could be provided to the NDA at much reduced costs thus also making a reduction in overhead costs.

We would like to discuss this concept with the NDA and invite you to consider meeting with DSG and DSRL management to explore the skills that are currently being identified for release from the Dounreay site with a view of setting up support services in Caithness. This would emphasise the commitment of the NDA to socio economic activity especially in an area which does not have the opportunity of nuclear new build.

We look forward to hearing from you in this respect.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "June Love".

PP Bob Earnshaw
DSG Chairman

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