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Dear Mr Fountain

NDA COMPETITION FOR DOUNREAY SITE PARENT BODY ORGANISATION (PBO)

Thank you for your response to our recent query regarding the competition for the Dounreay site PBO (your response L29Mar01(Earnshaw) refers).

DSG members discussed your response at a sub group meeting held on 15th April. We are pleased that you are giving this matter some thought and look forward to a positive outcome for the NDA, the Dounreay site and the local community.

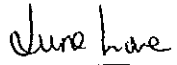
We understand the challenges that you will have to incorporate socio-economic considerations into the competition terms but urge that you continue to look at innovative ways of doing this. Dounreay is the first site closure contract, there will be others and if the NDA gets this right first time then you have a template for other closure contract sites.

We note that you and John Clarke will be meeting with Highlands and Islands Enterprise and The Highland Council to get their input on what criteria might be included in the contract and we would appreciate if you could clarify who in these organisations you intend to speak to. This allows us an opportunity to input our views and ideas to those people concerned.

We agree that the desired outcome is to have commitments from successful bidders that are meaningful to the community and which are measurable by the NDA.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely



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