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Dear Sir/Madam

MEYGEN PHASE 1 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT SCOPING DOCUMENT

The Dounreay Stakeholder Group (DSG) is an independent group of community organisations and statutory agencies who provides a link between the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA), Dounreay Site Restoration Ltd (DSRL) and the activities of the Dounreay site. As part of its remit DSG takes an active interest in the socio economic impacts of Caithness and North Sutherland as the site moves towards closure.

We, therefore, welcome an opportunity to respond to Meygen's scoping document as follows:

- 1. Has the project identified all regulatory requirements that need to be addressed during the project EIA?**
The scoping document appears to cover most requirements required by regulation. We presume that accident/emergency regulations are covered.
- 2. Does the Scoping Document identify all possible environmental receptor types that need to be considered in the EIA? If not, please identify any addition receptors you feel should be considered.**
The scoping document appears to cover all receptor types.
- 3. Have all possible and likely environmental effect been identified in Table 5? If not, please identify any further effects that you feel should be assessed.**
It is not clear whether the document covers emergency issues including water pollution (a leak in the hydraulics) or if devices (or part of) break free.

4. **Does the list of proposed consultees reflect the range of stakeholders that should be considered as consultees for this project? If not, please suggest any additional organisations you feel should be consulted.**

Sea Drift Centre, Dunnet.

North Highland Tourism

Leisure clubs (yachting, sailing, etc)

5. **Do you feel tht the scope of supporting studies is adequate to inform a a) full assessment of the possible environmental impacts and b) any appropriate assessment which may be required?**

We believe that the scope is adequate.

6. **Do you have any comments on the proposed data sources listed in Table 5? Please identify any further data sources you think may be relevant and useful.**

You may wish to consider including recreational sea sports. Weather data should be available from various sources which may help in providing you historical information.

7. **Other comments**

DSG has no further comments to make. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for inviting members to the public meetings held early in July and wish you well with your project. We look forward to receiving further updates as your project progresses.

Yours sincerely

Original signed

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