

Environment and Forestry Directorate
Environmental Quality Division

T: 0131-244 0197 F: 0131-244 0245
E: Claire.Dodd@scotland.gsi.gov.uk



Bob Earnshaw
Chairman
DSG Secretariat
Dounreay.com
Traill House
7 Orlig Street
Thurso
Caithness
KW14 7BJ

DSG(2012)CO21.



27 February 2012

Dear Mr Earnshaw

SCOTLAND'S HIGHER ACTIVITY RADIOACTIVE WASTE POLICY - IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

As you are aware the Scottish Government is developing an Implementation Strategy for its Higher Activity Waste Policy.

The Scottish Government has set up a Project Board and Technical Advisory Group (TAG) to support this work. The aim of the TAG is to provide advice to the Scottish Government and the Project Board on technical matters in order to assist the Scottish Government in developing the Strategy.

The purpose of the initial meetings of the TAG was to establish the group membership and consider its scope of work. One consequence of that initial work is that it is now considered appropriate and beneficial to the project to have a representative of site stakeholders on the TAG. I envisage that the role of the site stakeholder representative would be to provide advice and assistance based on experience and knowledge of matters which are important to stakeholders near nuclear sites rather than to represent the interests of any specific site.

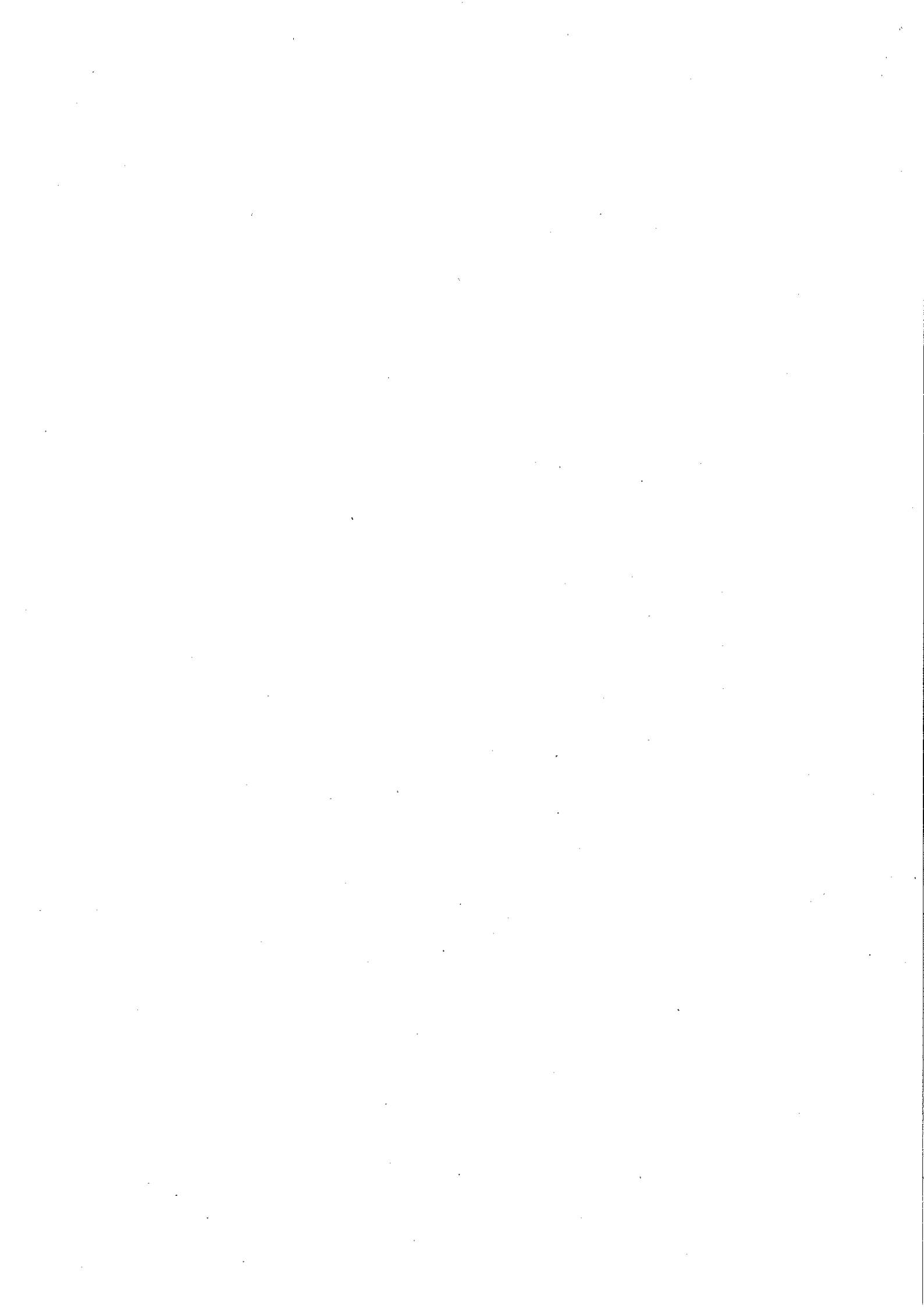
The TAG has met twice and I envisage that further meetings would take place every 6- 8 weeks in Edinburgh. The initial TAG meetings have involved representatives of the Scottish Government, SEPA, NDA, ONR, SCCORS, CoRWM, Magnox, DSLR and Babcock.

I am therefore writing to you and the Chairs of the Site Stakeholder Groups (SSGs) at Hunterston and Chapelcross to invite you to nominate a representative of site stakeholders for one position on the TAG.

For your information we envisage that task groups will be set up by the TAG to consider specific issues that need to be addressed during the development of the Implementation Strategy. At this time we anticipate that these task groups will be led by members of the TAG

Victoria Quay, Edinburgh EH6 6QQ
www.scotland.gov.uk





and comprise representatives of other organisations as appropriate for the task. Such issues could include for example, effective stakeholder engagement, information and knowledge management. The TAG has yet to fully ascertain what task groups are required however I wanted to inform you that I anticipate greater engagement with individual site stakeholder groups at that stage of the process.

A response by 14 March would be helpful.

A similar letter has been sent to Tony Bale, Chairman of Hunterston Site Stakeholder Group, and Ian Lindsay, Chairman of Chapelcross Site Stakeholder Group. A copy of the letter has also been sent to Bill Hamilton, NDA.

Yours sincerely



Claire Dodd

