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Dear Sir/Madam

Radioactive Substances Act 1993, Application by DSRL to dispose of low level radioactive waste at a proposed site adjacent to the Dounreay Nuclear Licensed Site.

The Dounreay Stakeholder Group (DSG) welcomes the opportunity to respond to SEPA's consultation as above.

The DSG is represented by over 20 organisations and therefore this response is one that is generally agreed by most organisations. However, there are some organisations, who may not agree entirely with this submission and therefore these organisations have been encouraged to provide their own response.

Specifically:

- DSG agrees with your five principles which are underpinned by the 14 requirements which allows these principles to be applied properly and acknowledges safety to the workforce and public as well as the environment around the facility should be the over-riding factors in granting such authorisations.
- With reference to the requirements, DSG notes:
 - The active engagement undertaken by DSRL with SEPA.

- that DSRL has actively sought to engage with stakeholders on every aspect of this project.
- o that SEPA continues to discuss with DSRL ongoing work on the detailed design of the facility.
- SEPA's view that a robust waste acceptance criterion is required and DSG agree with this view.
- o Environment monitoring of the facility and the demonstration of compliance will be important.

In essence DSG agrees with SEPA's decision and looks forward to being updated as the project progresses.

Yours sincerely

P Bob Earnshaw DSG Chairman