Questions for HMS Vulcan

1. What facilities at Dounreay does HMS Vulcan use either regularly or irregularly?

2. What effect will the decommissioning of Dounreay have on the existing operations at HMS Vulcan under the present MoD contract?

3. What discussions have taken place between HMS Vulcan, the NDA and DSRL concerning the continued use of Dounreay facilities by HMS Vulcan? Are minutes/reports of these meeting already available to the public? If not please supply dates and locations to facilitate a Freedom of Information request.

4. Have meetings been held with DSRL and/or NDA concerning the possible continued use of facilities at Dounreay after the end of the existing MoD contract when either HMS Vulcan begins decommissioning or secures a new contract from the MoD?

5. How much spent fuel is produced at HMS Vulcan and at what frequencies and where is the spent fuel stored?

6. What is the current projected operation timescale for the site? Is there any other potential future business for the site?

7. How will the replacement of Trident affect the site? If HMS Vulcan is to be used for the new programme how will that affect the Dounreay decommissioning programme?

8. If the current business model extends operations beyond the "end of site date" for Dounreay, how will current authorisations for aerial and liquid discharges be dealt with? (It is understood that currently liquid discharges are dealt with under SEPA authorisations for Dounreay and that actual discharges are processed through Dounreay infrastructure)

9. What plans are there for decommissioning the site and how will issues surrounding that process be consulted upon?