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Dear DSG member

This week I took over from Kenny Douglas as the new Managing Director for Dounreay. It is my second time in the role and, while I wish the current circumstances were better, I am delighted to be back working with the site team again and to be part of this fantastic community.

As the global impacts of Covid-19 started to become clear last week, we took the decision to reduce operations at the site so that Dounreay can be kept in a safe and secure state, while requiring the minimum number of people to leave their homes each day.

This has not been a simple task and our priority has been to achieve it in a controlled, measured and compliant manner. I am enormously proud of all those who have made this happen.

We are talking regularly to regulators and other stakeholders to ensure that safety, security and environmental compliance remain our highest priorities. Maintenance workers and other essential staff will continue to visit the site on a regular basis and our approach to security is uncompromised. Several hundred of our staff are now working from home, or at home and available for work. Like many of you, we are getting used to different ways of working and our aim is to keep connected and keep as much of the organisation operating as possible.

This is only part of our response. In the last few days we have signalled our intent to support the community during the coming weeks and months. For years, we have planned for an emergency that relied upon the community coming to our aid. Now we are urgently drawing up and implementing plans to come to the aid of the community in its emergency.

Steve Young, June Love and others are leading this effort. We don't have all the answers immediately, but we do know that we have skills, people, funding, materials and transport that could help. We are talking regularly to the Highland Council and local NHS to understand how we can support and we will update you as our plans take shape.

I want to thank you for the support we have had in recent weeks as we have taken steps to protect the site, our workforce and the community. I look forward to reconnecting with many of you when Dounreay Stakeholder Group meetings can restart but, in the meantime, hope that you and your families remain safe.

Yours sincerely

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Mark Rouse
Managing Director, Dounreay