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Dear Mr Scott,

24 October 2014

Proposed Underground Gas Storage Facility at Preesall, Lancashire

Thank you for your letter of 16th October 2014 seeking confirmation that HSE is content with the draft HSC direction set out in a 12th October 2012 letter from Paul Grace (Berwin Leighton Paisner) to Tom Carpen (Planning Inspectorate). Please find HSE's comments below:

The application for Hazardous Substances Consent is not incompatible with off-site development, providing certain conditions are met. These are indicated in the letter from Berwin Leighton Paisner (dated 12 October 2014).

However, HSE advises, for the sake of clarity, that the Direction (para 5 of the letter) should be amended, in two instances, as follows:

"(a) a description of the land.....

See accompanying Drawing No.A.00100.P00"

should read:

"(a) a description of the land.....

See accompanying Drawing No.A.00100.P00 (dated August 2011)"

and:

"(b) a description of the hazardous substance or substances to which it relates: and

Gas or any mixture of gases which is flammable in air, when held as a gas"

should read:

"(b) a description of the hazardous substance or substances to which it relates:

Natural Gas"

These two points of detail clarify the substance and location. Item (c) should remain the same.

Please note that any further electronic communication on this project can be sent directly to the HSE designated e-mail account for NSIP applications the details of which can be found at the top of this letter.

Alternatively, hard copy correspondence should be sent to:

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As mentioned previously, please note that correspondence should not be sent to Ms Penny Taylor who no longer works on this Section.

Yours sincerely,

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the signature of the sender.

Laura Evans
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