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Head of Unit
Mr Neil Johnson

Dear Sirs

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LOCAL PLAN/LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK: PROPOSED SUBMISSION CORE STRATEGY

The Health and Safety Executive has considered the contents of the plan in the light of an assessment of the potential risks from the activities at the Notifiable Installations in the area covered by the plan.

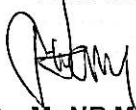
There may be a conflict between the development policies and the presence of the notifiable installations. Any proposed developments should take their presence into account.

You are strongly advised to consult the listed pipeline operator, to confirm the exact location and route of their pipelines in the area covered by the plan and to ensure that your records are kept up to date.

In view of the presence of notifiable installations in the area covered by the plan, it would be helpful to potential developers if the constraints likely to be imposed by their presence were indicated in a policy statement in the plan. The paragraphs in the attached Annex could form the basis of such a statement which may avoid the submission of planning applications containing inappropriate proposals.

In addition, we suggest that the proposals maps be marked to show the locations of the notifiable installations consistently with paragraph 6.21 of Department of Environment Circular PPG 12. We particularly recommend marking the routes of the notifiable pipelines as, in our experience, most incidents involving damage to buried pipelines occur because third parties are not aware of their presence.

Yours faithfully


Mr NR Marsh
HM Principal Inspector of Health and Safety

Annex - Suggested General Statement on Notifiable Installations

Certain sites and pipelines are designated as notifiable installations by virtue of the quantities of hazardous substance present. The siting of such installations will be subject to planning controls, for example under the Planning (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 1992, aimed at keeping these separated from housing and other land uses with which such installations might be incompatible from the safety viewpoint. In accordance with Department of the Environment, Transport & the Regions circular 04/2000 the Local Authority will consult the Health and Safety Executive, as appropriate, about the siting of any proposed notifiable installations.

The area covered by this Local Plan already contains a number of installations handling notifiable substances, including pipelines. Whilst they are subject to stringent controls under existing health and safety legislation, it is considered prudent to control the kinds of development permitted in the vicinity of these installations. For this reason the Planning Authority has been advised by the Health and Safety Executive of consultation distances for each of these installations. In determining whether or not to grant planning permission for a proposed development within these consultation distances the Planning Authority will consult the Health and Safety Executive about risks to the proposed development from the notifiable installation in accordance with Department of the Environment, Transport & the Regions Circular 04/2000.