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Dear Cllr Thomas

Thank you for your letter of 10 October, regarding Marine Licence 12/45/ML.

I issued a written statement on 29 September regarding this licence which can be found via the link below:

<http://gov.wales/about/cabinet/cabinetstatements/2017/marinelicencehinkleypoint/?lang=en>

Natural Resources Wales (NRW) are the marine licensing authority in Wales, and they act on behalf of the Welsh Ministers. NRW issued this licence (12/45/ML) and continue to be responsible for it, including ensuring compliance with the conditions imposed on the licence.

With regards to your request for a meeting, as a matter of good practice, Welsh Ministers must be mindful of their role in relation to appeals under the marine licensing system and as such it is not appropriate for Ministers to comment on specifics of a marine licensing decision. Therefore, I am concerned I will be unable to provide additional information to my written statement or comment further on this matter. Any further discussions relating to this decision should be made directly to NRW.

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

I note you have also written to Dr Emyr Roberts at NRW, and they will be able to answer your specific queries on the sediment sampling scheme and the approval process under the conditions in the marine licence.

Yours sincerely
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