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Dear Isabelle

**RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES ACT 1993
EDF ENERGY NG LTD – TORNESS and HUNTERSTON B POWER STATIONS
APPLICATIONS TO DISPOSE OF RADIOACTIVE WASTE**

Thank you for your letter of 1 March which contained information on your draft final decision on the applications that SEPA has received from EDF Nuclear Generation Ltd under section 17 of the Radioactive Substances Act 1993 (RSA93) to vary the limitations and conditions of the Authorisations held for Torness and Hunterston B Power Stations, certificate numbers RSA/A/0070116 and RSA/A/0070022 respectively.

I can confirm that the Scottish Ministers are not minded to exercise their powers under sections 23 and 24 of RSA93 with respect to this decision.

I am sure that SEPA will be considering how to present this decision, particularly in light of the concerns raised by local stakeholders over the movement of wastes between the sites for temporary storage ahead of onward dispatch for treatment and disposal. We would be grateful if you could share with us the date the announcement will be made and briefing lines.

Yours sincerely

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