

P-05-785 Suspend Marine Licence 12/45/ML to dump radioactive marine sediments from the Hinkley Point nuclear site into Wales coastal waters off Cardiff – Correspondence from the Petitioner to the Committee, 31.01.18

Dear Kayleigh & colleagues:

thank you for the notification of NRW's letter to the Senedd Petitions Chair: and also for the warning about the proposed meeting (Feb 6th) of the Petitions Committee to discuss matters relating to our Petition.

As you will know, the Postpone the Dump Campaign has finally received copy of the CEFAS radiological analytical "raw digital data" a week or so ago. The Campaign has now copied that data to our technical experts in Europe. We do not expect to receive the report of their review of that data for at least four to six weeks (from today) at best.

Preliminary comments on the available data indicate that there are indicators that the Campaign's concerns are supported by the available evidence. Thus the Campaign, and its many supporters, consider it a matter of major importance that our technical experts have sufficient time to complete their analytical review of the digital radiological data and to write up their report.

The Campaign therefore requests that the Petition's Committee, postpone (or not at least NOT finalise) final discussion of the Petition's case until

1: the Campaign has had the time scale opportunity to have the Review of the long awaited and much sought after digital data completed with due diligence and then Reported in full

2: the Campaign has had the opportunity to make written and personal presentation of the eventual Review Report to the Committee

3: the campaign has had the opportunity to make written and personal presentations to the Committee on other issues if/as/when they arise

The Campaign also notes that the most recent NRW letter to the Committee states that "acknowledging the public interest in the matter, during a meeting with the licence holder on the 25th January, we did ask them to consider further voluntary sampling at depth for further reassurance, and we await their response. For additional public reassurance, we have already requested that Cefas undertake

radiation dose analysis on the 2009 samples and will confirm the outcome of that assessment with the committee once it is completed.

Also we note that, as of yet, EDF have not replied to the NRW invitation to "consider" further radiological analysis, nor have the CEFAS "dose analysis" of 2009 samples been presented. We therefore respectfully suggest that there are considerable amounts of data and information still in the process of being compiled and that the Feb 6th proposed meeting will not allow completion and presentation of that data.

The Campaign therefore requests postponement of discussions of the issues on 6th Feb, to enable completion, presentation and discussion of that data after it has been published

Yours Sincerely

Tim Deere-Jones for the Postpone the Dump campaign.....