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Dear Mr. Skarratts,

MACC Review

Thank you for your letter of the 3rd May 2011 in response to my letter of the same day. My letter was intended to address your concerns regarding the dates appended to previous correspondence and to set out my understanding of my role with regard to dialogue with the FBU over the current review of the MACC duty system. I trust I was successful in this objective.

I believe that your most recent letter has been most useful in assisting both parties understand their respective positions and I would venture to suggest that at our meeting today we were both successful in shedding further light on these issues.

As you are aware, the date for the conclusion of formal consultation passes today and I am therefore requesting that you now provide the Service with a final position statement. As you have raised a number of further issues today I am proposing to deal with these in my written response to your final position statement.

For the record I can confirm that at the request of the FBU I am content to withdraw option 1 from further consideration by the parties. Could I therefore request that your final position statement identifies any residual matters of concern for the FBU, including those discussed at today's meeting, regarding the EIA and the sole option for a revised duty system that now remains on the table?

Also, for the purposes of clarity and transparency could I ask that in the final position statement that the FBU provide a list of written question regarding those issues pertaining to the Process Evolution report to which the FBU is seeking further clarification? I will undertake to present these questions to Process Evolution in the exact form of words provided by the FBU and provide the FBU with an un-amended version of the response provided.

In order to expedite the conclusion of the consultation process could I request that you provide me with your final position statement by Thursday 9th June 2011 in order that I can ensure that the FBU position is accurately reflected in the report I must now produce for the Authority detailing the outcome of consultation.

I look forward to your early response but if there is any further way in which I can be of assistance to you then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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