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Ein Cyf/Our Ref: **CAS-02488-V7M8Q2 &
CAS-02489-V6P4R9**

05 June 2023

Dear Ms. Morris,

THE WATER RESOURCES ACT 1991 (as amended by the Water Act 2003) - WATER ABSTRACTION AND IMPOUNDMENT APPEALS

- 1. APPEAL BY RADNOR HILLS MINERAL WATER COMPANY LIMITED
SITE: RADNOR HILLS, HARTSEASE, KNIGHTON, POWYS LD7 1LU
APPLICATION REF. NO. PAN-006557**
- 2. APPEAL BY RADNOR HILLS MINERAL WATER COMPANY LIMITED
SITE: RADNOR HILLS, HARTSEASE, KNIGHTON, POWYS LD7 1LU
APPLICATION REF. NO. PAN-006555**

Thank you for submitting your views on the appeals procedure for the above cases.

Although the parties are in agreement that the appeals should be dealt with by way of a Hearing, following consideration of both party's views and the appeal submission papers, PEDW considers that the appeals should be determined by way of a written representations exchange.

Please note, however, that although we currently consider that this procedure is the most appropriate, we will review the procedure once further representations and statements have been received.

Using e-mail

We welcome communication by email to our team address pedw.casework@gov.wales. Electronic copies of statements, supporting documents and comments are particularly useful to us and potentially more efficient for you. We do ask that you continue to send hard copies of maps and large documents. Where parties are agreeable, we will cross-copy by email.

The starting date

I have checked the papers and confirm that the appeals are valid. If I later find out that this is not the case, I will write to you again.

The date of this letter is the starting date for the appeals. The timetable for the appeals begins from this date. The appeals will proceed by written representations procedure.

Keeping to the timetable

You must keep to the timetable set out below and make sure that you send us the relevant documents within these deadlines. This will mean that we can deal with the appeals promptly and fairly. If you do not send us the relevant documents in time, the Inspector will not normally look at them and we will return them to you. You must note the details of the following timetable because we will not send any reminders.

The following documents must be submitted so as to be received within this timetable:

By 19/06/23 (2 weeks from the starting date)

You must serve notice on any person / authority who made representations to the regulator about the subject matter of the appeals.

You must notify the parties that an appeals have been made and by whom, describe the application or permit to which the appeals relate and state that if they wish to submit any further representations, these must be made in writing to PEDW within **15 working days** of the date of the notification.

The notification should also explain that any representations made to PEDW will be copied to the appellant and the regulator and will form part of the public appeal file.

You should inform them that they can get a copy of our Water Abstraction and Impoundment Licence Appeal Procedure Guidance from the Welsh Government website <https://www.gov.wales/water-abstraction-and-impoundment-licence-appeals> and that if they want to receive a copy of the appeals decision they must write to me asking for one.

You must send a copy of the consultation letters and all supporting documents and representations, including any relevant policies to PEDW and the appellant.

By 17/07/23 (6 weeks from the starting date)

Please send me a copy of your statement. The appellant must send me a statement if they need to add details to the case made in their grounds of appeal. I will send a copy of your statement to the appellant and send you a copy of their statement. I will send you and the appellant a copy of any comments sent by interested people or organisations.

By 07/08/23 (9 weeks from the starting date)

You and the appellant must submit a copy of any final comments you and they have on each other's statement and on any comments from interested persons or organisations. You must not send your final comments instead of, or to add to your statement. No new evidence is allowed at this stage. I will send you a copy of the appellant's final comments at the appropriate time.

Site visit

We will arrange for one of our Inspectors to visit the appeal site and, if it is decided that they should be accompanied by the main parties, we will send you details nearer the time. If an unaccompanied site visit can be made you should not approach the Inspector, though if you

were unwittingly to do so, the Inspector would politely identify him or herself. You will no doubt understand that it would be improper to engage in conversation.

Appeal Withdrawals

If you hear that the appeals are to be withdrawn, please telephone me immediately. If I receive written confirmation of this from the appellant, I will write to you.

Yours sincerely

J. Nicholas

JULIAN NICHOLAS
Case Officer