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Dear Ms Griffiths

**Biomass No2, Barry – Environmental Permitting Regulations application**

Thank you for your email of 12 August 2017 which was also received by letter by our Permitting Service Manager. This email is in response to both.

We fully acknowledge the public interest in this application and I am pleased to let you know that we have now extended the consultation period until 10<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

We fully recognise and appreciate the concerns of the local community and the need to ensure there is every opportunity to contribute to the decision-making process, in a timely manner.

This is actually the third consultation that we have undertaken during the determination of this application and for transparency, we publicly shared the further information in its entirety. We appreciate that applications of this kind by their nature are very technical and the information presented to us by the applicant is not easy for the non-expert to understand. It is our responsibility as an environmental regulator to undertake an independent technical assessment of all information submitted.

You may be aware that throughout we have been working with the Docks Incinerator Action Group (DIAG) to ensure that we hear directly about all technical concerns raised with them by members of the public. We've been in continuous dialogue with DIAG throughout the process and we are confident they will continue to raise any relevant issues on behalf of the community.

However, we also welcome comments from individuals or other organisations who would like to raise any concerns (in relation to the new information) so that we can consider these, as appropriate, in reaching our decision.

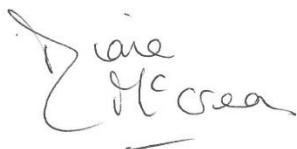
We hope that six weeks will give sufficient time for people to raise any concerns and respond to us, and will also ensure that we fulfil our statutory responsibility of determining applications in a timely manner.

This consultation exercise relates to the new information we have received. Therefore, I am sorry but we are unable to support your request to extend the consultation period even further for you to have sight of other submissions, such as the expected Capita report, before you make a response.

If we are minded to issue a permit for this facility, we will undertake a further public consultation exercise on our draft decision and we will keep you informed about this.

Thank you for writing to me about this and I hope that this goes some way to addressing your concerns.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Diane McCrea', with a horizontal line underneath.

**Diane McCrea MBE**

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