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Dear Ms Arleta Miszewska

THE PLANNING (HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES) REGULATIONS 2015

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE CONSENT FOR STORAGE OF NATURAL GAS AND BIOGAS AND OPERATION OF A BIOMETHANE TANKER INJECTION FACILITY AND PRESSURE REDUCING STATION AT SOUTHERN GAS NETWORKS PLC PORTSDOWN HILL PRS AND BIOMETHANE TANKER INJECTION FACILITY FARLINGTON REDOUBT PORTSDOWN HILL ROAD HAVANT

Thank you for consulting us about this Hazardous Substances Consent application.

In order to arrive at the Health and Safety Executives (HSE's) response to this hazardous substances consent application, the application is currently being assessed by the specialist Major Accidents Risk Assessment Unit (CEMHD 5) of HSE.

- HSE needs to undertake complex, detailed and technical work.
- We might require additional information to optimise the assessment.
- A number of iterations in the assessment might be needed to ensure cautious best estimate advice.
- In many cases the assessment is subject to technical peer review to ensure robust advice.

The resources available to HSE for this are limited. We will process cases as quickly as possible, but HSE's initial judgement is that it might be 26 weeks before we can respond fully. We will endeavour to respond within this time. If we can't we will let you and the applicant know.

The reason for this initial judgement of within 26 weeks is the complex and uncertain consent situation which needs to be understood before this application can be assessed.

If there are particular timing issues for this application please contact us and we will do our best to respond.

If you have any queries please contact Mr Andy Jackson on 07789920535 or andy.jackson@hse.gov.uk

Yours faithfully

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