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To:
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Communications

Date 25th April 2019
Your Ref
Our Ref CM/CR/HPZ6767
Enquiries to Health Protection Team
Extension 46798
Direct Line 01592 226798

Dear Colleague,

Re: Unplanned Flaring - Mossmorran

You may be aware of an ongoing situation in relation to unplanned flaring at Mossmorran. The situation is being actively managed by the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA). NHS Fife have been in frequent contact with SEPA since Sunday 21st April. The operators' most recent public statements suggest that the flaring will continue for several more days - the timing being dependent on the outcome of start-up processes.

Air quality monitoring was carried out by SEPA on Monday 22nd April, and SEPA's analysis of results has so far revealed air quality to be well within regulation limits.

However, we are aware that many people have reported suffering from lack of sleep relating to vibration, noise and light from the flare. Many of the complaints received by SEPA mention impacts on health and wellbeing. It is therefore possible that this may result in increased attendance at GP practices.

Further information is available on the SEPA website at:

<https://www.sepa.org.uk/regulations/air/air-quality/mossmorran-and-braefoot-bay-complexes/>

If you have any queries please contact the Health Protection Team at 01592 226 798 (Office Hours) or via Switchboard out of hours.

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours sincerely

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