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Dear Mr Lee

## Freedom of Information Request Reference No: FOI201707156

Thank you for your request for information, received on 31 July 2017 which falls under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

## Your request

Eighteen Months' ago the Office for Nuclear Regulation informed me that they are considering the production of Draft Clauses to be included within a Licence suitable for a Geological Disposal Facility; Given the passing of time I'd like to ask (on the assumption that ONR has worked on this matter in the last couple of years) that the individual clauses or a proposed licence be disclosed now.

## **ONR Response**

In November 2016 ONR published a Project Assessment Report which considered the applicability of ONR's current standard Licence Conditions that are attached to a nuclear site licence for regulating a future Geological Disposal Facility as a licensed nuclear site. The project also considered ONR's current guidance to prospective applicants on licensing of new nuclear facilities. The report is available on the ONR website at <a href="http://www.onr.org.uk/pars/index.htm">http://www.onr.org.uk/pars/index.htm</a> and a copy is also attached.

The report concludes that the standard 36 Licence Conditions attached to a standard nuclear site licence would be applicable to a future Geological Disposal Facility, with two minor amendments recommended, as detailed in the report. These recommendations will be considered prior to granting of a nuclear site licence for a future Geological Disposal Facility. A draft nuclear site licence is attached.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me via ONR enquiries quoting the reference number above.

If you are unhappy with the decisions made by ONR you may ask for an internal review within two calendar months of the date of this letter by writing to me.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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