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**Your ref:** F/3102  
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FAO Debbie Wragg

Dear Debbie

**RETENTION OF EXISTING WELLSITE AND DRILLING OF UP TO TWO (2) OIL AND NATURAL GAS APPRAISAL BOREHOLES, INCLUDING DRILLING RIG (MAX HEIGHT 37M) AND ASSOCIATED PLANT AND EQUIPMENT LAND ADJACENT TO A52 GRANTHAM ROAD NORTH OF THE ROAD BETWEEN OATFIELD LANE TO THE EAST PRIVATE ROAD EXTENDING ACROSS THE A52 FOR SAXONDALE ROAD.**

I refer to the above application which was received on the 21 July 2014.

We have no objections to the proposed retention of the Harlequin 3 wellsite at Radcliffe-on-Trent, Nottinghamshire and the drilling of up to 2 appraisal petroleum boreholes.

We would like to ensure that the operator is aware of the following:

- They will need to serve a notice under Section 199 of the Water Resources Act 1991 which involves filling in form WR11 (Notice of the intention to drill for minerals)
- They will need to apply for an Environmental Permit for a mining waste activity.
- If the borehole/s go into production it is likely that the operator will also need a radioactive substance regulation (RSR) permit.

The operator can refer to the Onshore Oil and Gas Exploration in the UK: Regulation and Best Practice (DECC, December 2013) for further details regarding the application process and permitting requirements.

Yours sincerely

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