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*From the President*

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Dear Sir,

I am contacting you regarding the 'consultation' in which you are seeking views on Radioactive Waste Management's proposal to gather and present information on the geology of England, Wales and Northern Ireland, specifically with regard to assessing suitability for housing a Geological disposal Facility (GDF).

I am writing as President of and on behalf of the **Geologists' Association**, an Association founded in 1858 and concerned with the study of geology. It is open to all geologists and earth scientists, whether of professional or amateur status.

We have looked at the White paper (URN 14D/235 July 2014), entitled 'Implementing Geological disposal' together with your publication on 'National Geological Screening' published in September of this year.

We were encouraged to note that you consulted widely with acknowledged experts before formulating your procedure for preparing the documents that will be available to the public relating to the geological suitability of the various regions for the siting of underground disposal facilities.

We note that one of your proposed actions is:

"To publish documents relating to our work and regularly invite public and expert feedback".

I would be grateful if you would arrange for any such documents to be sent to the Association. We have nearly 100 local groups distributed throughout Britain to whom we can forward for consultation. They will possess the local geological knowledge for an informed contribution.

With many thanks for your help in this matter

Sincerely,

Dr Haydon Bailey

