To: Plutonium@decc.gsi.gov.uk

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Dear Sir / Madam

Consultation on Management of UK's Putonium Stock

GMB is a general trades union of over 610,000 members, many thousands of whom work in the energy sector. A significant number of these energy sector workers are employed in the nuclear industry.

GMB welcomes the opportunity to respond to the DECC consultation document concerning the long-term management of the UK's stock of separated civil plutonium. The purpose of this letter is to express GMB's national support for the detailed submission made by Peter Kane, Secretary to the Sellafield Joint Unions Committee (consisting of GMB Northern Region, Unite and Prospect).

In order to avoid unnecessary duplication, GMB is therefore fully endorsing, at national level, the comments contained in the Sellafield Joint Unions' submission. We would like this letter to be considered as adding weight to the views expressed in that submission on the long-term management of the UK's plutonium stock, in response to the specific questions posed in the DECC consultation document.

Yours sincerely

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