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Chief Finance Officers of English Billing Authorities

FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE BUSINESS RATES SECTION

Dear Chief Finance Officer

Business Rates Information Letter (4/2014);

This is the fourth business rates information letter to be issued by the Department for Communities and Local Government this year. Previous letters are available on the internet at:

https://www.gov.uk/business-rates-information-letters,

or for archived letters:

http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20120919132719/http:/www.communities.gov.uk/localgovernment/localgovernmentfinance/businessrates/busratesinformationletters/.

This letter covers:

Business Rates Flooding Relief

1. Further to Business Rate Relief Letter 3/2014, the Government has now published its Flood Support Scheme guidance note:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/flood-support-package-for-homeowners-and-businesses

2. This guidance note provides information for local authorities, businesses and homeowners on schemes that have been announced by the Prime

Minister to help homeowners and business recover from the adverse weather since 1st December 2013. Chapter 2 provides authorities with the details needed to administer the business rates flooding relief: