

Response form

Please use this form to respond to this call for evidence on Managing Radioactive Waste Safely: Review of the Siting Process for a Geological Disposal Facility.

The closing date for the submission of responses is 10 June 2013.

Responses can be returned by email (preferable) or post.

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Or by post to: The Managing Radioactive Waste Safely team
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Would you like to be kept informed of developments with the MRWS programme?	Yes
Would you like your response to be kept confidential? If yes please give a reason	No

The Government is interested in your views on the geological disposal facility site selection process outlined in the 2008 Managing Radioactive Waste Safely (MRWS) White Paper. To assist us you may wish to consider the following issues in your response:

- What aspects of the site selection process in the MRWS White Paper do you think could be improved and how?
- What do you think could be done to attract communities into the MRWS site selection process?
- What information do you think would help communities engage with the MRWS site selection process?

We have not been involved with the MRWS process to date and note its complexities.

We would suggest that sites where rail freight can be used to deliver construction materials, and to transport radioactive waste should be given strong priority. Such a move would reduce significantly the impact of construction traffic on local communities and deliver benefits through carbon reduction compared to road alternatives. Rail is already the principle transport mode for radioactive waste, and any new facility must seek to retain this.

