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Information held by the Department in terms of FOI/EIR request 2015/05770 for iGas

Letter from 23 July 2014 Department Department of Energy & for Business Climate Change Innovation & Skills The Rt Hon Matt Hancock MP Andrew Austin Minister of State CEO, IGas Energy plc 7 Down Street Department of Energy & Climate Change London 3 Whitehall Place. W1J7AJ London SW1A 2AW www.gov.uk Our Ref: PO2014/11241 23 July 2014 Thank you very much for your letter and your kind message of congratulations following my appointment to attend Cabinet as Minister of State for Business, Enterprise and Energy. I am looking forward to the challenge of my new portfolio covering industry, enterprise, small business and energy. I am delighted to be working jointly at the Department for Business Innovation and Skills, and the Department for Energy and Climate Change. PS. I was ? Portrath today "

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Unlocking Britain's Energy Potential

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I'am writing to congratulate you on your recent appointment as Minister of State for Business, Enterprise and Energy. My colleagues and I at ities see this as an encouraging development and one which we believe will continue the focus and clarity of your predecessor in the decision making relating to the UK's energy policy.

I was additionally pleased to learn that you have also been appointed to the role of Minister for Portsmouth,

IGas Energy pic is a leading onshore oil and gas exploration and production business, with licences to explore for oil and gas across the country including the North West, East Midlands, the Weald Basin in southern England and the northern coastal area of the Inner Moray Firth in Scotland. We have more than thirty years' experience of successfully and safely extracting oil and gas onshore in Britain which, as you will be aware, has one of the strictest regulatory regimes in the world.

The business is investing heavily in building our organisational capabilities, continuously seeking to improve our understanding, angagement and social performance. We are determined to maximise local business opportunities and are committed to engaging with the communities in which we operate with integrity and transparency.

We are a British business with more than 170 employees. We recently employed two graduates and have three apprentices at different stages of their training. In addition, we identified opportunities for six interns in the last year and recruited six entry level trainee operators in our Southern operations.

In the last business year our total production was c.1.0 mmboe and we are currently exploring the possibility of commercially extracting unconventional hydrocarbons, predominantly shale gas, in a range of sites across the UK.

I would very much welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss our work in this area in more detail. My colleague, ... will be in touch with your office shortly in the hope of arranging a meeting. In the meantime, should you require any information from me please contact ... on or ... @igaspic.com.

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