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Dear Professor Iversen,

**RE: PROPOSALS TO REVIEW AND AMEND SPECIFIC PROVISIONS UNDER
THE MISUSE OF DRUGS REGULATIONS 2001**

I am grateful for the Advisory Council's advice on proposals to review and amend specific provisions under the Misuse of Drugs Regulations 2001.

I note the Advisory Council's support for the proposals and the benefits these changes will deliver to the public and healthcare and veterinary, including improving the audit trail of the most potent controlled drugs used in the community.

I accept the Advisory Council's recommendation. The legislative provisions implementing these changes will be laid shortly to come into force on 1 June 2015.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Advisory Council's Technical Committee for their consideration of, and support for, the work of these proposals.

Yours sincerely

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