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Dear consultee

Consultation on England Local Authority Environmental Permitting fees and charges

I am writing to invite your views on proposals to amend the Local Authority Industrial Pollution Prevention and Control (LAPPC) and the Local Authority Integrated Industrial Pollution Prevention and Control (LA-IPPC) fees and charges schemes.

Defra conducted a review of the fees and charges schemes in late 2016 and we concluded that a number of amendments were required – most notably that an increase in the levels of fees and charges is required in order to ensure that regulatory costs are fully recovered by Local Authorities - the 'polluter pays principle'.

The documentation explaining and detailing our proposals can be found via the following link: https://consult.defra.gov.uk/industrial-pollution-control/local-authority-env-reg-fees-charges

We welcome your views and comments, particularly in response to the questions set out in the Consultation Document. If you wish to obtain a paper copy of the consultation, please contact: Industrial Pollution Team:

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Responses

To submit your consultation response, please complete the consultation questionnaire provided through Citizen Space (Citizen Space is an online consultation tool). Responses should be submitted by **13 April**

Consultation Criteria

This consultation is in line with the Consultations Principles. This can be found at http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/resource-library/consultation-principles-guidance



When this consultation ends, we intend to safely keep an electronic copy of the responses. Members of the public may ask for a copy of responses under freedom of information legislation.

If you do not want your response - including your name, contact details and any other personal information – to be publicly available, please say so clearly in writing when you send your response to the consultation. Please note, if your computer automatically includes a confidentiality disclaimer, that won't count as a confidentiality request.

Please explain why you need to keep details confidential. We will take your reasons into account if someone asks for this information under freedom of information legislation. But, because of the law, we cannot promise that we will always be able to keep those details confidential.

We will summarise all responses and place this summary on our website at www.gov.uk/defra. This summary will include a list of names of organisations that responded but not people's personal names, addresses or other contact details.

To see consultation responses and summaries, please contact the Industrial Pollution Team using the contact details listed above. There may be a charge for photocopying and postage. If you have any comments or complaints about the consultation process, please address them to:

Defra Consultation Co-ordinator, Room 629 9 Millbank 17 Smith Square London SW1P 3JR consultation.coordinator@defra.gsi.gov.uk.

Thank you for your help in this matter. If you have any queries, please contact us.

Yours sincerely

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