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INTEGRATED POLLUTION CONTROL

·a Hacked Thank you for copying to me your minute of 15 July to the Prime Minister about the draft consultation paper on integrated pollution control.

My officials have been in close touch with yours about the terms of the paper. Some minor points of difficulty have been identified, including the need to determine the precise relationship between HMIP and the National Rivers Authority and to decide on the mechanism for implementing the Red List proposals. These matters will be the subject of separate consideration and I am content with the paper in its present form.

There are, of course, different administrative arrangements in England and Scotland, as well as some differences in the statutory provisions which apply. These are being considered by the Scottish Office in the light of what is proposed in the paper, and I intend to consult separately in due course on moves towards integrated pollution control in Scotland.

I am copying this letter to the recipients of yours.

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