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Dear Mr Hildyard,

## RE: REQUEST FOR AN INTERNAL REVIEW, IR(07)05 RELATED TO EIR(07)04

Thank you for your email of 20 August 2007, in which you requested an internal review of ECGD's decision of 24 July 2007 not to provide you with an Impact Questionnaire for the Shin Wolsuing Nuclear Power Plant in South Korea, on the basis that this information was "not relevant" to your request.

I would like to clarify that an Impact Questionnaire was not provided to you with our response of 24 July 2007 because we do not hold an Impact Questionnaire for this project. An Impact Questionnaire was not required for the South Korean project as it was classified as having "Low potential impacts". This is in line with paragraph 6 of ECGD's Case Impact Analysis process:

## "6 Outcome of the case impact screening

- 6.1 The outcome of the screening process is for all cases to be categorised as having Low, Medium or High potential impacts. The category is determined largely by the answers to the questions in the Case Impact Screening form (Annex A). The BPU will in addition exercise its professional judgment.
- 6.2 <u>Low potential impact cases</u>. Cases relating to the export of goods or services, which comprise replacement goods / services at existing facilities and which comply with international standards, are normally categorised as having Low potential impacts and will not normally be scrutinised further."





The full text of ECGD's Case Impact Analysis process can be found at: <a href="http://www.ecgd.gov.uk/index/pi">http://www.ecgd.gov.uk/index/pi</a> <a href="http://www.ecgd.gov.uk/index/pi">home.htm</a>

In some cases applicants voluntarily provide Impact Questionnaires where they are not required by ECGD. In such cases, ECGD will hold the information and this is the reason why ECGD provided you with a copy of the Impact Questionnaire for the VAI industries project (No 3 Single Strand Slab Casters, Jindal Vijayanagar Steel Ltd, India), despite this project also being classified as having "Low potential impacts".

In relation to the South Korean project the information which was redacted in the attachment to our response of EIR(07)04 was the signatures of the officials who filled out the checklist and it is this information which we considered to be irrelevant to your request. We also inadvertently redacted the date of those signatures for this project. However, please find this information attached to this letter. Please accept my apologies for this error.

Please note that I am sending this letter to you prior to an internal review. In light of the above clarification, I would be grateful if you could confirm whether you would still like ECGD to carry out an internal review. If so, please contact Steve Roberts-Mee, Senior Information Officer, ECGD, 2 Exchange Tower, Harbour Exchange Square, London E14 9GS, or email: information.access@ecgd.gsi.gov.uk within two calendar months of the date of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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