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Adrienne Kelbie,
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By e-mail to
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Dear Ms Kelbie,

We have noted with increasing concern, reports in the press about climate researchers who believe sea levels could rise by as much as 6 metres as a result of substantial melting of the Greenland and Antarctic ice sheets caused by climate change.

We note that in 2012 a Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs report showed that, as a result of flooding and storm surges, the Hinkley Point site would have a high risk of flooding and erosion by 2080. At that time the Office for Nuclear Regulation confirmed the "*fundamental safety*" of Britain's nuclear plants and that flooding had been factored into new-build plans.

In the light of more recent higher estimates of sea level rise we are writing to ask whether you have revisited and perhaps revised your view on the future safety of the Hinkley Point C site. We are particularly interested to know whether you are confident that the site will be suitable for the interim storage of spent fuel until at least the year 2140.

I attach a two page note which explains further our thinking on this matter.

Yours sincerely

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