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The Scottish Parliament
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By email: anne.peat@scottish.parliament.uk

Dear Ms Peat

**PUBLIC PETITIONS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF FLOOD INSURANCE PROBLEM
PETITION – UPDATE FROM SEPA**

I refer to your email dated 09 April 2013 requesting a further update on our commercial licence position as noted in our response on 31 January, and provide details as follows;

Of 32 LAs contacted 29 have responded to date. All 29 have let us know that they have no constraints or restrictions on SEPA using the data or sharing it through the SFDAD portal with registered SFDAD users including ABI members.

All 29 responses have been positive with regard to allowing SEPA, as the owner of SFDAD, to provide access to SFDAD through a registration process to "...flood risk management responsible authorities, consultants, academics and members of the Association of British Insurers (ABI) who may use these data to inform commercial decisions regarding availability and cost of insurance for their customers." (Extract from letter to LAs dated 15 November 2012).

SEPA met with ABI at the end of February and updated them on progress with SFDAD access.

Once all 32 LAs have responded, and if required, SEPA will be able to develop appropriate terms and conditions of use and include these in the SFDAD portal.

All flood practitioner professionals can apply to register for SFDAD by contacting SEPA through SFDAD@sepa.org.uk. ABI members can also apply to access SFDAD through this route.

If you require further clarification on any aspect of this correspondence, please contact Marc Becker, Flood Risk Manager, on marc.becker@sepa.org.uk or David Faichney, FRMA Business Change Manager, on david.faichney@sepa.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

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