

**PE1441/K**

Scottish Environment Protection Agency Email of 27 August 2013

Dear Andrew,

Further to our telephone conversation earlier this afternoon, please see the statement below on ABI access to the Scottish Flood Defence Asset Database (SFDAD). This is of relevance to the Committee as it was raised within PE1441 and we have been asked questions on progress, availability and timescales for delivery.

SEPA committed to having this concluded in August.

I wrote to ABI today (27 August) confirming that they may now offer the opportunity to their members to apply for membership of SFDAD.

***Scottish Flood Defence Asset Database (SFDAD) – Membership now available to ABI Members***

*The Scottish Flood Defence Asset Database (SFDAD) was set up by Scottish Government in 2007 as a reference source for the benefit of flood prevention practitioners and other professionals engaged in flood mitigation and management.*

*As part of SEPA's new duties under the Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act 2009, we took on responsibility for hosting and administering SFDAD in May 2012. Since then we have been working with Scottish Government and Scottish local authorities to establish the means and terms and conditions of use to enable us to extend membership to a broader range of flood risk management practitioners including insurers.*

*On 27 August 2013 SEPA wrote to ABI offering the opportunity to their members to apply for membership of SFDAD. This will allow ABI members access to view the content of SFDAD to assist in making flood risk management decisions in the course of their business.*

Please let me know if you require anything else on this matter.

Best regards,

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