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Dear Jo

**Proposed Modifications to the License for NI Water Limited**

I refer to the notice issued today regarding the proposed modifications to the license for NI Water Limited. In particular I note that it is proposed to remove from Condition B of the License those elements pertaining to the first three Charging Years for the period 2007 to 2010.

In the light of our current dispute with NI Water over the Scheme of Charges, which is now retrospective as the new Scheme for 2011/12 has been approved, I would request that nothing is removed from the Licence relating to charges for those three years 2007 to 2010, until our dispute with NI Water has been settled.

This request is made in case this proposed action may prejudice the outcome of those discussions which as you know are still ongoing. If you wish to telephone me on this matter, please feel free to do so.

Yours sincerely



N J LUCAS  
Deputy Secretary