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Dear Mr Williams

**RESTORATION OF STOWEY QUARRY BY LANDFILLING, STOWEY ROAD,
STOWEY, BRISTOL**

I refer to your letter dated 25 July 2013 (received by email 30 July 2013) regarding the above.

I can confirm that in the event that the proposed waste composition is changed and any component which could generate poor quality leachate is removed from the application, the proposed landfill would not constitute a potential source of groundwater pollution. A development of this nature would not constitute a groundwater risk and would therefore be compliant with the requirements of the Landfill Location Position Statement. It is therefore not subject to the requirement for a risk assessment as there would be no potential long-term groundwater pollution risk.

Under such circumstances, the Environment Agency would have no grounds to object as there would be no potential source of groundwater pollution from the proposed lined landfill.

If the Inspector is minded to approve this amendment to the application, the Environment Agency would remove its objection to the planning proposals. Any subsequent Environmental Permit application would, however, need adequate development engineering and monitoring details to ensure the future impacts of the proposed landfill are acceptable and comply with the requirements for environmental protection.

I must strongly disagree with your assertion that the Environment Agency has "*been a Little reluctant to discuss its concerns and how these could be overcome*". Environment Agency Officers have always been prepared to discuss this proposal.

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The meeting referred to in your letter was cancelled due to a request from Chris Herbert (SLR) representing the Local Planning Authority, due to illness. The Environment Agency quickly re-arranged the meeting however, we were advised that the revised date was inconvenient for the applicant.

Yours sincerely

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