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Magnox Inquiry - Publication of the Interim Report

I am writing to inform you, in your capacity as Chair of the BEIS Committee, that I have today placed a copy of the Magnox Inquiry's interim report into the House Libraries.

The Inquiry's Interim Report is attached alongside this letter, and makes a number of provisional recommendations in respect of the way that the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority should conduct procurements in future. It also sets out, in detail, future lines of enquiry that the Inquiry will be approaching.

The NDA has undergone a process of continuous improvement to further strengthen its relationship with BEIS in the wake of the Magnox settlement in March, and we will be working together to further build on this following these provisional recommendations. Mr Steven Holliday - the Magnox Inquiry Chair - has told me to expect the Inquiry's final findings in a report delivered in the first part of 2018.

In addition, you will be aware that the National Audit Office has published its factual review of the Magnox Contract. My hope is that this report will help all of us to understand the complexities surrounding the contract, and where its failings might be found, ahead of our scheduled Committee session this November.

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