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Dear Edward

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Thank you greatly for your contributions to the debate on the Nuclear Installations (Compensation for Nuclear Damage) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 on the 14 July 2025. I committed to writing to you on some of the points you raised.

The Department for Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ) recognises the importance of transparency in this area, and has, and will continue to be, open and transparent regarding our Nuclear Third Party Liability regime. The Government recognises its importance for the whole nuclear sector and victims of any nuclear incident.

DESNZ officials are in regular contact with nuclear operators and insurers through the annual review of operator financial security arrangements. They also maintain a strong dialogue with all interested parties outside of this process. Although accession to the Convention on Supplementary Compensation for Nuclear Damage (CSC) will not impose additional liability on nuclear operators, officials will use these channels to track developments relating to any potential adverse impacts.

Accession to the CSC supports the Government's wider nuclear ambitions. Expanded treaty links will remove some potential barriers to inward investment into the UK nuclear sector. It will give increased confidence to suppliers, investors, and vendors to participate in the UK nuclear industry. The Government is committed to having a robust Nuclear Third Party Liability regime and will continue to ensure that this is the case.

Finally, it is the case that following accession to the CSC, should a nuclear incident occur in another CSC country that results in damage in the UK, then UK victims would have a right of recourse against the operator of the relevant nuclear installation and be able to claim compensation in line with the country's domestic legislation without discrimination. The department remains committed to clear communication and will continue to work within established frameworks to ensure the public is appropriately informed, including in the event of a nuclear incident.

I will place a copy of this letter in the library of the House.

Best wishes  
Lord Wilson

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