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**Subject:** Dwr Cymru Welsh Water [DCWW] - Sewage overflows in 2022

Llyr Gruffydd MS,  
Chair, Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee  
Welsh Parliament  
Cardiff Bay, Cardiff, CF99 1SN

My Ref: NCC/WJ/112/CCEIC / Your Ref:

Date: 20 November 2023

Dear Llyr Gruffydd

**Subject: Dwr Cymru Welsh Water [DCWW] - Sewage overflows in 2022**

I refer to the above subject and attach for your information my letter - dated 20 November 2023 - to Natural Resources Wales. I would be grateful if you could draw the content of the letter to the attention of C C E I C members.

In view of the information provided, does your Committee have continued confidence in Natural Resources Wales [NRW] as an environmental regulator and, specifically, confidence in the current protocol that allows Dwr Cymru Welsh Water to monitor its own pollution incidents and report breaches of environmental permits to NRW. Do you consider that NRW - as environmental regulator - should have a separate monitoring system in place for pollution from sewage overflows in Wales?

I understand that these matters will now be examined by a parliamentary committee in Westminster.

I look forward to your observations at your convenience. Thank you.

Yours sincerely

Wynne Jones

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**Subject:** Dwr Cymru Welsh Water [DCWW] - Sewage overflows in 2022

**Date:** Mon, 20 Nov 2023 17:21:04 +0000

**From:** [REDACTED]

**To:** NRW\_Enquiries <[enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk)>

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My Ref: NCC/WJ/112 / Your Ref:

Date: 20 November 2023

Dear Customer Support Team

**Subject: Dwr Cymru Welsh Water [DCWW] - Sewage overflows in 2022**

Your attention is drawn to a website available at the following hyperlink.

<https://top-of-the-poops.org/company/dwr-cymru-welsh-water>

Data is provided, in the public domain, confirming DCWW was responsible for 81,937 sewage overflows in 2022. Does NRW - as environmental regulator - accept the data presented or wish to challenge the data with supporting evidence?

I look forward to your observations when you have had an opportunity to liaise with the the relevant internal department. Thank you.

Yours sincerely

Wynne Jones