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Mike Hedges MS
Chair
Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee
Welsh Parliament
Cardiff Bay
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2 December 2025

Dear Mike,

The Biocidal Products (Data Protection Periods) (Amendment) Regulations 2025

I refer to my letter to you of 11 November 2025. I wish to inform the Committee I have given my consent to the Secretary of State to make the Biocidal Products (Data Protection Periods) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (“the Regulations”). I have laid a Written Statement which can be found here [The Biocidal Products \(Data Protection Periods\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2025](#).

The Regulations intersect with devolved policy and apply to Wales (they also apply to England and Scotland). The Regulations are subject to the negative procedure and were laid before Parliament on 25 November 2025 with a commencement date of 30 December 2025.

Although the Welsh Government’s general principle is that statutory instruments relating to devolved matters should be made by the Welsh Ministers, on this occasion it was considered appropriate for the Regulations to be made by the Secretary of State for the reasons outlined in my letter of 11 November.

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several fluid, overlapping strokes that form a stylized representation of the name 'Huw Irranca-Davies'.

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