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Welsh Government

Mike Hedges, MS
Chair,
Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

26 February 2026

Dear Mike,

The Chemicals (Health and Safety) (Amendment, Consequential and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2026

I refer to my letter to you of 2 February 2026 which explained that I intended to give consent to the Secretary of State to make the Chemicals (Health and Safety) (Amendment, Consequential and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2026 (“the Regulations”) and for their application to Wales. I write to inform you that the draft Regulations and Explanatory Memorandum have been laid before the UK Parliament.

The draft Regulations and Explanatory Memorandum can be found here: [The Chemicals \(Health and Safety\) \(Amendment, Consequential and Transitional Provision\) Regulations 2026](#)

There will now be a 21-day committee period followed by debates in both Houses of Parliament. The dates for these debates are yet to be scheduled. The date the Regulations are made will be dependent on the date of the approval motion, which should follow the debates. The Regulations will come into force 21 days after they are made.

If the Regulations are made before the start of the Easter recess, I will issue a Written Statement and send you post consent letters within 3 days of the laying of the Regulations. If the Regulations are not made before the Senedd is dissolved, I will issue a press notice/website update or other suitable form of public communication followed by a Written Statement once the new Senedd is in session.

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Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb gohebiaeth a dderbynnir yn Gymraeg yn Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

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 overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke at the bottom.

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