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Y Pwyllgor Materion Cyfansoddiadol a Deddfwriaethol

**National Assembly for Wales** 

Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee

Jeremy Miles AM Counsel General

21 March 2019

Dear Jeremy

## The Electricity (Offshore Generating Stations) (Variation of Consents) (Wales) Regulations 2019

The Electricity (Offshore Generating Stations) (Applications for Consent) (Wales) Regulations 2019

The Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee considered The Electricity (Offshore Generating Stations) (Variation of Consents) (Wales) Regulations 2019 and The Electricity (Offshore Generating Stations) (Applications for Consent) (Wales) Regulations 2019 (the Regulations) at its meeting on 18 March 2019.

I would like to raise with you the same issue that was brought to your attention in my letter of 14 March 2019 in relation to The Environmental Damage (Prevention and Remediation) (Wales) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019.

The Regulations require specific documentation to be published in one or more national newspapers. However the Regulations do not specify whether "national" refers to a Welsh newspaper or a UK newspaper.

The response received from the Welsh Government states that "the reference to 'national newspapers' in the context in which it appears is a reference to UK newspapers.

Again, we respectfully suggest that this interpretation of "national" does not adequately nor thoughtfully reflect devolution within the United Kingdom. We hope you will consider this matter further at the earliest opportunity.



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Yours sincerely



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