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Dear Sir / Madam

**POLLUTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2000
CONSULTATION ON STANDARD RULES FOR PETROL VAPOUR RECOVERY ACTIVITIES**

Please find enclosed a consultation on new draft standard rules for petrol vapour recovery activities at petrol stations regulated under the Pollution Prevention and Control (Scotland) Regulations 2000.

The Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) is planning to introduce the standard rules approach to the regulation of Petrol Vapour Recovery activities in January 2012. These rules will apply to the loading and unloading of petrol into stationary storage tanks at petrol stations and also the refuelling of motor vehicles. Before the standard rules are introduced, we would like to seek views on the detail of how these standard rules would be applied.

Over the past five years SEPA has been developing its vision for better environmental regulation. The aim is to provide a proportionate, risk based approach that will drive environmental improvements and reward good performance, while still providing reassurance that tough action will be taken against those who fail to meet acceptable standards.

In December 2010, SEPA carried out a consultation on the principles for delivering better environmental regulation. One of the areas we sought views on was the greater use of statutory obligations (e.g. General Binding Rules), notifications and registrations for lower risk sites. Responses showed that there is significant support for this proposal, with 82% of respondents supporting the idea in principle. This has led to the introduction of standard rules for petrol vapour recovery activities.

Please return any comments by Friday 18 December 2011 either by post to SEPA Perth Office, 7 Whitefriars Crescent, Perth, Perthshire, PH2 0PA, or by emailing PVRStdRulesConsultation@sepa.org.uk. If you have any queries or require further information on the consultation, please contact Liz Dundas on 01738 448804.

Yours **Insert Closure (sincerely/faithfully)**

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Enc: Consultation pack consisting of the consultation document; standard rules for PVR I and both PVR I & PVR II; and a mock standard rules permit.