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To: Interested Parties

Date: 14th October 2009

Reference: DPPW/09/135

Dear Interested Party,

Review of the Guidance Note for the Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water Regulations (Wales) Regulations 2007

It is nearly two years since the Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water (Wales) Regulations 2007¹ came into force, and with this legislation recently being amended by the Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water (Wales)(Amendment) Regulations 2009², it seems an apt time to review the Guidance Note for the original legislation³.

The Guidance Note is a non-statutory aide to understanding the legislation and is intended to help both producers and enforcers. To facilitate this review process and ensure it addresses any issues of importance to stakeholders I would welcome your suggestions for further amendments, clarifications or additional topics to be covered in the guidance notes by **Friday 18th December**.

Any suggestions received will be considered for incorporation into the revised Guidance Note, which will be circulated for full consultation in the New Year. Please send any comments to Andrew.Morris@foodstandards.gsi.gov.uk

If you would like to discuss please contact me at Rob.Wilkins@foodstandards.gsi.gov.uk. Similar guidance will be applicable in Scotland, England and Northern Ireland.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Wilkins', followed by a horizontal line.

Rob Wilkins
Head of General Enforcement Branch

Footnotes

1. The Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water (Wales) Regulations 2007, Statutory Instrument No. 3165 (W.276)

(http://www.opsi.gov.uk/legislation/wales/wsi2007/wsi_20073165_en_1)

2. The Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2009, Statutory Instrument No.1509 (W.158)



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(http://www.opsi.gov.uk/legislation/wales/wsi2004/wsi_20041509_mi.pdf)

3. The Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water (Wales) Regulations 2007; Guidance to the Legislation

(<http://www.food.gov.uk/foodindustry/guidancenotes/foodguid/waterguidance>)