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Dear Dr Scragg

**GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISMS (CONTAINED USE) REGULATIONS
2000, AS AMENDED**

NOTIFICATION OF CLASS 2 ACTIVITY

Thank you for your notification under Regulation 10 of the above Regulations, of the intention to undertake activities involving Class 2 genetically modified micro-organisms (GMMs).

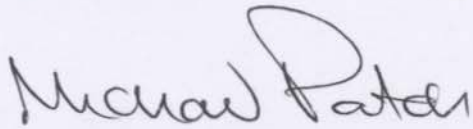
The Competent Authority has no objection to your performing the notified activity, GM 6/09.1 originally entitled "Life Sciences research involving Class 2 genetically modified micro-organisms". But to more accurately reflect the proposed connected programme the Competent Authority has changed the title to "Investigation of in vitro and vivo cellular processes of hazard group 2 bacterial pathogens clinically relevant in the UK".

The Competent Authority are content to clear this connected programme of work based on the genetic modification activities being restricted to hazard group 2 bacterial pathogens, as specified in the submitted documentation. Should the work extend to others HG2 bacterial pathogens, transmitted via an airborne route, then this would in all likelihood constitute a significant change to the notification and require subsequent notification to the Competent Authority.

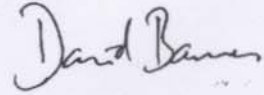
This letter does not imply endorsement by the Competent Authority of any physical containment and associated safety precautions at your centre, or that the measures you have taken are sufficient to comply with the Regulations and other relevant legislation. HSE inspectors may have additional observations and requirements when conducting site inspections under the Health & Safety at Work etc Act.

Regulation 15(2) and (3) requires that the Competent Authority be kept informed of any changes to the notified details.

Yours sincerely

Handwritten signature of Michael Paton in black ink.

Dr Michael Paton, Health & Safety Executive
On behalf of the Competent Authority

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David Barnes
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