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Dear Mr Cronin,

Re: Community Engagement Charter

UKOOG's Community Engagement Charter promises to publish an annual report on performance by your members in relation to the Community Engagement Charter. It says you will: "Confirm and publish evidence each year of adherence to this charter".

Please could you point me to this on your website or send over your most recent report on this. I have read your annual report for 2017 and it does not go into detail on this subject, e.g. clarifying which companies have consulted on which plans and at what stage of planning, and where they did it. I am interested in the data underpinning the statement: "our operators held multiple information days" and what other strategies for engagement are being deployed as well as information days, which would only reach a small number of people. The Charter says that UKOOG will: "Monitor and evaluate the engagement process regularly" which implies that data should be readily available.

Furthermore, can UKOOG report on how the views of the local communities contacted as part of the engagement programme were taken into account and what difference it made to the plans being drawn up? The section of the Annual Report on Community Benefits really only focuses on money on offer to communities, rather than the rest of the Community Engagement Charter's promises. I am sure you appreciate that meaningful evaluation is important as part of developing your relationship with local communities affected by shale gas developments.

I have previously enquired about your membership and ask again if you could supply a list of your members as this is important in knowing how effective the Community Engagement Charter is in terms of industry coverage.

Yours sincerely,



Keith Taylor, Green MEP, South East England.