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Party Conferences

Dear Colleague

With the announcement of a Government energy review looking increasingly likely towards the end of the year, this autumn's political party conferences are particularly important for the nuclear industry. NIA will be present and active at all three major party conferences and at the TUC conference.

This year for the first time NIA will be the sole nuclear organisation exhibiting at the Labour Party conference (26-29 September), representing the entire membership. We are fortunate to have a prime location in the Brighton Conference Centre, and we are determined to make maximum impact and attract as many MPs and other delegates to the stand as possible. We are having a new stand designed and built for this event, which can be adapted for other conferences such as ENC in December. In addition to exhibiting at Labour we will be holding a fringe meeting ((27 September) at which the Energy Minister, Malcolm Wicks, has been invited to speak, and a dinner in collaboration with TUSNE at which the Minister will be guest of honour (28 September).

At the Conservative and Lib Dem conferences we will be holding receptions and dinners (5 October and 21 September respectively). Bernard Jenkin MP, Shadow Energy Minister for the Conservatives and Evan Harris MP for the Lib Dems have agreed to speak. We are also holding a fringe meeting (19 September) at the Lib Dem conference in association with the Centre for Reform at which John Thurso MP, who has Downreay in his constituency, will speak.

At the TUC conference we will be holding a fringe meeting (12 September) involving trade union speakers representing the coal, renewables and nuclear sectors on the importance of preserving indigenous energy sources.

All of these activities clearly have cost and resource implications, and I am writing to you to ask for your company's support at this crucial time. If each company represented on the Board were able to pledge £2000 towards NIA's conference costs it would ensure a strong and effective presence, and enable us to commission high quality information materials for distribution

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to delegates. In return we can offer your company the chance to display your logo and literature on the stand, invitations to the fringes and receptions and dinners (places are limited for the dinners), and subject to adequate notice (by 31 August) passes for the conference centres which will allow you or another named representative to enter the secure zone and to meet MPs and delegates. NIA can try to arrange meetings, again given adequate notice. If you want to give some of your staff the opportunity to experience party conference at first hand we would warmly welcome additional people on the stand at the Labour conference, or to help out at the receptions.

I hope very much that you will be able to support these activities with a financial contribution, and I look forward to hearing from you. In the meantime, if you have any questions please give me or Simon James a call.

Best regards

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