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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for environmental information. We appreciate your interest, and we want to let you know that your request has been carefully considered in accordance with the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR).

Your request:

We're requesting information relating to an attenuation pond in order to understand the historic and current status of this infrastructure, I would be grateful if you could provide the following environmental information held by United Utilities:

1. *Operational status*

Please confirm whether the landscaped overflow attenuation pond identified on the approved planning drawings is currently considered operational as part of any active surface water or drainage system.

If it is considered operational, please explain on what basis, including its current function within the system and how exceedance flows are managed.

2. *Reliance and adoption*

Whether United Utilities has ever relied upon, adopted, or incorporated any part of the pumping station, underground storage tank, or overflow lagoon into its operational drainage or sewerage network, either historically or at present.

3. *Supersession, redundancy, or abandonment*

Any records indicating that this infrastructure (in whole or in part) was superseded, rendered unnecessary, abandoned, decommissioned, or otherwise removed from operational reliance, including the reasons for this and the approximate date.

4. *Transfer or relinquishment of responsibility*

Any records relating to the transfer, relinquishment, rejection, or handover of responsibility for this infrastructure to another body (for example, a local authority, developer, or management company).

5. *Asset and technical records*

Any asset records, as-built drawings, technical descriptions, or internal assessments held which describe the function, capacity, or intended role of the pumping station, underground storage tank, or overflow lagoon.

6. *Inspection and maintenance*

Any inspection, maintenance, or operational records held in relation to this infrastructure, including confirmation of whether it is currently regarded as operational, non-operational, or no longer relied upon.

Our response:

Having now reviewed our records and visited this asset, we can confirm that the attenuation pond that you have highlighted was not constructed by and is not owned or operated by United Utilities. Therefore, in answer to your specific points:

1. The attenuation pond is not one of United Utilities operational assets
2. We have never relied on or adopted the pond
3. As this pond has never been one of our assets, we have never abandoned, or decommissioned it
4. As this pond has never been one of our assets, we have never transferred ownership of the asset.
5. We do not hold any as-built drawings or other technical records for the pond
6. We do not inspect or maintain the pond.

We are sorry that we were unable to help you in understanding the historic and current status of this attenuation pond, although we do hope that this response answers your request.

However, if you're not satisfied with how we've handled it, you can request an internal review. To do this, please write to us at Environmental Information Office, Haweswater House, Lingley Mere, Warrington, WA5 3LP or email us at EIRRequests@uuplc.co.uk, addressing your request to [REDACTED], and explaining why you're unhappy with our response. We'll be very happy to review your request and ensure we've done everything we can to assist you.

Any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this response, and we will reply within 40 working days from receipt of the request for internal review.

Many thanks