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Dear Captain Loraine,

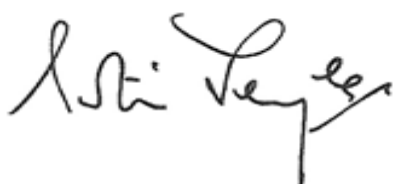
Thank you for your letter of 31 July 2017 concerning HSE's non-attendance at the GCAQE aircraft cabin air quality conference in September 2017.

HSE has very good relationships with fellow regulators, including CAA. The arrangements developed over a number of years have built up trust between HSE and other regulators. This has facilitated the discharge of respective responsibilities in an effective and efficient manner, avoiding duplication of effort. This is why HSE has Memorandums of Understanding (MoU) and associated guidance on the discharge of respective responsibilities and demarcation with other regulators. These are regularly reviewed to ensure that the responsibilities are being discharged appropriately. There is nothing to indicate that responsibilities between CAA and HSE are not being discharged.

As previously indicated, HSE's MoU with CAA and associated guidance document CAP 1484 makes it clear CAA are the most appropriate attendee for the "Aircraft Cabin Air Quality Conference". HSE understands Dr Nigel Dowdall who heads up the CAA's Health Unit is attending the conference. HSE officials were briefed by Dr Dowdall on health issues within the aviation industry at a liaison meeting earlier this year. HSE is confident the issues are being appropriately dealt with from a regulatory perspective and will seek feedback on the conference and other issues at a future liaison meeting with CAA officials.

If CAA plans not to attend the event, we will reconsider our position.

Yours sincerely,



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