

Annexe

APPLICATION BY AN INDIVIDUAL TO BE A CORE PARTICIPANT

At the Preliminary Hearing held on 25 February 2008 Lord Gill invited applications under Rule 4, Inquiries (Scotland) Rules 2007, from persons seeking the status of core participants.

Lord Gill indicated he requires any applications to be in writing and to address -

1. Whether the applicant claims to qualify under any of the grounds indicated in Rule 4 (2)

Rule 4 (2)

“In deciding whether to designate a person as a core participant the chairman must have particular regard for the desirability of including as core participants persons who –

- (a) played, or may have played, a direct and significant role in relation to the matters to which the inquiry relates;*
- (b) have a significant interest in an important aspect of the matters to which the inquiry relates; or*
- (c) may be subject to significant or explicit criticism –*
 - (i) during the proceedings at the inquiry, or*
 - (ii) in the report (or any interim) to be delivered under section 24 of the Act (submission of reports)”*

2. The reasons why the applicant claims to qualify for core participant status
3. The relationship of the applicant’s interest in the Inquiry to the Terms of Reference

Terms of Reference:

- a) “ to inquire into the circumstances leading up to the incident;*
- b) to consider the safety and related issues and the regulation of the activities at Grovepark Mills and*
- c) to make recommendations in light of the lessons identified from the causation, and circumstances, leading up to the incident.”*

4. Specification of the issues on which the applicant seeks to participate in the Inquiry.