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Dear Mr. Thorp,

With this letter, UPL Europe Ltd. would like to inform you of the decision taken by the company to cease further work on a permanent solution for the use of asulam in the control of bracken.

As you are aware, UPL Europe Ltd. was advised to take a stepwise approach and to address first issues raised during the Annex I Renewal process in the European Union. The main point of concern being the potential to have an endocrine disrupting effect on the thyroid and its relevance for humans.

After careful consideration, including the significant investment needed to continue this work, UPL Limited (parent company of UPL Europe Ltd.) has now taken the difficult decision not to go ahead. This decision has been taken by UPL Limited based on business considerations at global level.

As such, UPL Europe Ltd. will be unable to support the Bracken Control Group 2024 Emergency Application in the UK, as we are unable to fulfil the additional testing outlined by CRD as a requirement for this year's application. UPL Europe Ltd. regrets that we cannot continue our support and sincerely appreciates all the work that the Bracken Control Group has done over the years.

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