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Dear Debbie

Reducing Red Tape for Combined Fire and Rescue Authorities

Many thanks for the opportunity to provide a written submission in relation to the draft deregulation bill. Kent and Medway Fire and Rescue Authority fully supports the proposals made to simplify the process by which locally agreed changes to Combination Scheme Orders can be progressed without the need for national consultation by the Secretary of State. Our view is that the risks have been adequately considered and this does represent a reduction on the regulatory burden on Fire and Rescue Authorities.

Yours faithfully

Ann Millington
Chief Executive

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