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**Subject:** Hydrus Planning Submission: 10/01695 Consultee Response from RBF&RS dated 29/07/10

**Attachments:** Hydrus Responses\_RBF&RS.pdf

Hazel

The above [and attached] response to planning application 10/01695 by the Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service requested confirmation that AWE has suitable fire hydrants and suitable emergency water supplies. The purpose of this email is to confirm that first AWE has its own o-site fire brigade which exercises regularly with RBF&RS and deploys together in real events. AWE has an onsite borehole which provides fire fighting water to reservoirs <<Hydrus Responses\_RBF&RS.pdf>> onsite which feed a comprehensive network of fire hydrants.

If you require any additional information please do not hesitate to contact me.

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# ROYAL BERKSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE



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Your reference: 10/01695/COMIND

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29 July 2010

Dear Case Officer

## **AWE Aldermaston, Aldermaston, Reading**

With reference to your correspondence dated 19 July 2010, I would like to make the following comments:

There are at present, no available public mains in this area to provide a suitable water supply in order to effectively fight a fire. This Authority would therefore request that part of any planning consent terms include the requirement for the applicant to provide suitable private fire hydrant(s), or other suitable emergency water supplies to meet Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue Service requirements.

Access requirements for Fire Fighting are to meet the functional requirements the Building Regulations 1991 and the relevant provisions of the Berkshire Act. It should be noted that any gates required for emergency access should provide a minimum 3.1m clear opening.

The layout plans provided have not been reviewed for fire safety provisions. This is the responsibility of your Buildings Regulations Department or Approved Inspector, in consultation with this Authority as part of a Building Regulations submission.

If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Peter Gray  
Water Officer