

PRIME MINISTER

THIRD REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE ON POLLUTION

Mr. Ridley's letter of 23 May enclosed a detailed response to the Environment Committee's report. It was agreed at E(A) in February that this should be prepared.

There is no need for you to plough through the report. I did, however, ask the Cabinet Office to go through the document carefully to check for any difficulties. Richard Wilson's minute of 26 May (attached) suggests one change to paragraph 1.10 concerning what is said on the delicate issue of nitrates. I see no need for any other comments.

*Change agreed  
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Content with Mr. Ridley's memorandum, subject to the point raised by the Cabinet Office and any other thoughts from colleagues?

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*Recg.*

PAUL GRAY

27 May 1988

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