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**Welsh Government Consultation Document –
The Draft Account and Audit (Wales) (amendment) Regulations 2016**

In response to your consultation document on bringing forward the timetable for preparing and publishing statement of accounts for Local Government bodies in Wales, we welcome that there would be no impact on the timetable for auditing central government bodies in the early summer months, as pushing back Natural Resources Wales' audit would have an adverse effect on the production of our annual accounts. The current timetable works well.

Yours sincerely

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