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Dear George

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CHANGES TO THE APPROVAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR PRODUCTS UNDER REGULATION 27

1. Introduction

Since 1998 recommendations and advice relating to the approval of products under Regulation 27 of the Water Supply (Water Quality) (Scotland) Regulations 2001¹ (formerly Regulation 25 of the 1990 Regulations) have been provided by a Committee established in 1966 (the CCM), and since 1998, by the Committee on Products and Processes for use in Public water Supply (the CPP) – an advisory non-departmental public body (NDPB).

As part of the Government's better regulation process and review of NDPBs, and following receipt of definitive legal advice, the CPP will be disbanded on 31st March 2007. The last meeting of the CPP was held on 13th March 2007.

2. New approval arrangements

From 1st April 2007 the core processes² for Regulation 27 approval of products will be delivered by the Regulations team of the DWI. In early April 2007 the DWI website will be revised to reflect these changes. In the meantime the accompanying diagram (Fig 1) illustrates the principles of the approval process going forward.

¹ Regulation 31 of the Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 2000 in England.

² Core processes include: handling of applications for approval of products, queries about (and changes to) existing approved products, and queries from water undertakers and combined licensees.



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3. **Further Information**

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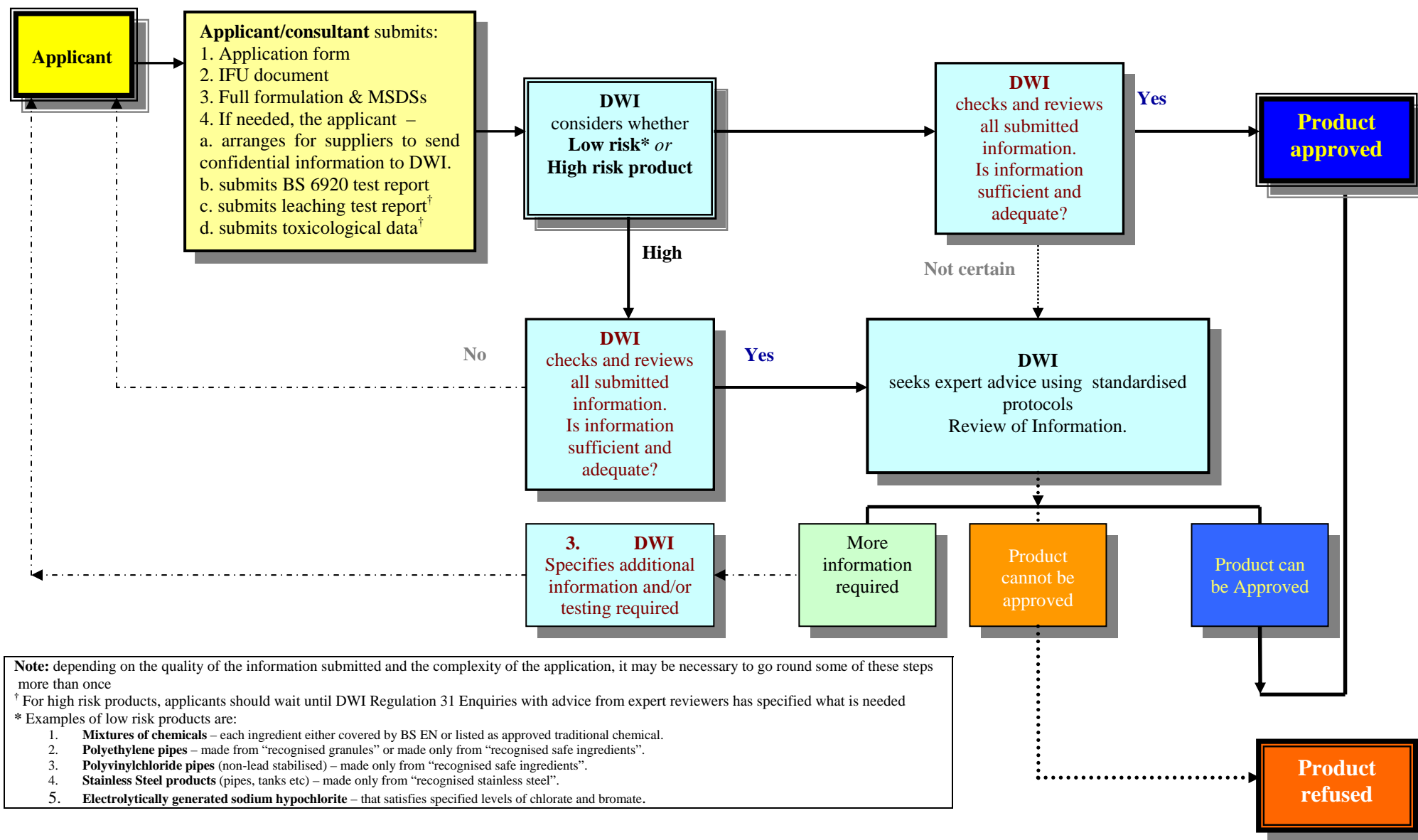
Yours sincerely

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Figure 1. Outline of approval process





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