Written Submission from Dumfries and District Trade Union Council

The Committee received the following letter in hard copy only:

"8th March 2015

To Jim Eadie MSP

Dear Jim

In these 3 envelopes I've enclosed the paper copies of our petition to your committee concerning the Scottish Housing Regulator and the £77milion housing contracts for DGHP.

There are 136 signatures overall on these sheets. There are from (a) creditors of R & D Construction and their families and (b) DGHP tenants and their families.

(The 4 in the envelope were unable [due to a temporary technical fault on the ipetitions website] to sign the online version. Instead they printed off the frozen pages, signed it in the corner and sent it to me by post).

The online version will follow to all of your committee's email addresses ASAP. (You will also receive a copy of our media release.)

All the signatories will be following your committee's consideration on 18th March of the role of the SHR and the need for a judicial review of this matter with interest.

Yours

John Dennis

Dumfries and District Trade Union Council"

Attached were hard copies of the petition which states the following:

"Dumfries TUC Petition to the Scottish Parliament on the Scottish Housing Regulator

We call on the Scottish Parliament's Infrastructure Committee to investigate the fitness for purpose of the Scottish Housing Regulator. The investigations should focus in particular on the failure of the SHR to ensure the application of due diligence in the award of the £77 million contract in 2008 for housing in Dumfries and Stranaraer by the Dumfries and Galloway Housing Partnership to R & D Construction Limited.

The Committee is asked to consider instigating a judicial review into the actions of the SHR."

Attached to the petition were 136 signatories, which have not been published for data-protection purposes.

The petition was not submitted via the Scottish Parliament's Petition System.