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## **Detailed Assessment Appraisal Report**

The Report sets out the Detailed Assessment, which forms part of the Review & Assessment process required under the Environment Act 1995 and subsequent Regulations.

It covers sulphur dioxide and concludes that there are unlikely to be exceedences of any of the objectives in the district, so no Air Quality Management Areas are required.

On the basis of the evidence provided by the local authority, the conclusions reached are **accepted**. The report provides an assessment to determine whether any areas of the district are likely to meet the threshold given in the guidance of more than 100 houses burning solid fuel in a 500 m<sup>2</sup> area. The results of the postal survey suggest that this is unlikely and therefore the local authority has concluded that the SO<sub>2</sub> objectives will not be exceeded.

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## Commentary

The report is well structured and informative. The following specific items are drawn to the local authority's attention to help inform future work:

- The approach in this report appears to be one that could have been carried out as part of the Updating and Screening Assessment, rather than a standalone Detailed Assessment report. Assessing the district to determine if there are areas with significant solid fuel burning is part of the USA checklist.
- 2. It would have been informative in reading the report if the local authority had provided details of the SO<sub>2</sub> background in the district and/or reported on any SO<sub>2</sub> monitoring in the local area or from villages with similar issues.

This commentary is not designed to deal with every aspect of the report. It highlights a number of issues that should help the local authority either in completing the Detailed Assessment adequately (if required) or in carrying out future Review & Assessment work.

Issues specifically related to this appraisal can be followed up by returning the attached comment form to Defra, Welsh Assembly Government, Scottish Government or DOE, as appropriate – or by emailing the form to <a href="mailto:reportappraisal@ttr-ltd.com">reportappraisal@ttr-ltd.com</a>

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