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Dear Mrs McKinnell,

Thank you for your letter of 30 June to the Rt Hon Robert Jenrick MP regarding the e-petition 575967, entitled "Mark Allen's Law – we want throwline stations around all bodies of open water". I am replying on behalf of the Secretary of State and I do apologise that you have had to write about this and for the delay in government in responding to this important e-petition.

The Committee Clerk will be aware from conversations with my officials that this is not a subject that falls within the purview of this department, however we have sought to provide a reply on this issue drawing on input from across government including those departments with specific responsibilities for some of these issue. My Department takes seriously it's responsibility to respond to petitions in a timely manner and your records will show that we have done so on previous occasions.

A reply has now been sent to the Committee regarding this e-petition.

Yours ever,

LUKE HALL MP