

By email

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Dear Colleague

Ofwat Board Appointments

I [wrote to you on 10 March](#). This is by way of an update.

The Secretary of State, Caroline Spelman, has announced today that Defra is to re-run the appointment process for my successor. To maintain continuity and momentum at Ofwat, I have agreed to a further extension of my appointment as Chairman. Formally, it now runs until the end of July 2012. In practice, if the Defra appointment process runs smoothly, I would hope to reach agreement with my successor on a transfer date earlier than that, possibly in late spring.

So the Ofwat Board currently consists of five members: Penny Boys and Gill Owen as Non-Executive Directors, Regina Finn as Chief Executive and Keith Mason as Executive Director, and myself. I expect a further announcement in due course from Defra about other Non-Executive appointments to the Board.

I look forward to continuing to work with you for another few months, leading up to a smooth handover to my successor.

Yours sincerely

Philip Fletcher