THE SCOTTISH OFFICE

National Health Service in Scotland Management Executive

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Dear Colleague

NHS IN SCOTLAND 1992-93 ANNUAL ENERGY REPORT

Summary

- 1. The 1992-93 NHS in Scotland Annual Energy Report concludes that the overall downward trend in energy consumption has been sustained. The year on year improvement of 3.5%, seasonally adjusted, compares favourably with the national target of $1\frac{1}{2}$ % 2% reduction in energy volume consumption per year. This is worth £0.75m at 1992-93 prices. It also shows the NHS in Scotland to be on course to achieve the longer term aim of a 30% reduction between 1985 and 2000 as set out in SCOTMEG Action Plan 12. The improvement between 1986-87 and 1992-93 was 16%.
- 2. Chief Executives and others with responsibility for the efficient management of Energy, are to be congratulated on the achievements to date and encouraged to continue their efforts to pursue improvements in the efficient use and volume reduction of energy. It has now been demonstrated that the successful implementation of sound energy policies and strategies can release funds for direct patient care and lead to improvements in the overall patient environment.

Action

3. To facilitate the monitoring of progress towards the year 2000 target and the $1\frac{1}{2}$ %-2% annual national target, you are requested to complete and return the enclosed Energy and Utility Consumption Form 1993-94 or the computer disks mentioned in paragraph 6 below.

Background

4. The 1992-93 Annual Energy Report refers to a period in which the structure of the NHS in Scotland consisted mainly of Health Boards and Directly Managed Units. An attempt has been made to present the data in a way that will be meaningful, firstly by identifying performance by Board/Unit and Trust and secondly by identifying the performance of individual Hospitals by care group. Chief Executives of Trusts will wish to

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take a close interest in the report in respect of the hospitals within their Trust.

- 5. The strategic approach to energy saving in the NHS in Scotland is based on SCOTMEG ACTION PLAN 12 which set targets for both investment and reductions in consumption against which the Management Executive annually assesses performance. The 1992-93 Energy Report is the third in the series and enclosed with this letter are 2 copies for your use together with a copy of a Scottish water study commissioned by the NHS in Scotland which highlights the changes taking place in the charges associated with water and sewage which I hope you also will find informative.
- 6. Also enclosed are 2 copies of the 1993-94 Energy and Utility Consumption Form to be returned to Mr Harley at this office by 24 June 1994 and a set of 4 computer disks which have the Energy and Utility Consumption Form in a computer programme, which will allow the data to be transferred electronically onto our system. Full instructions on the computer requirements and use of the programme are attached herewith. You are invited, if facilities are available, to use this computer programme rather than completing the hard copy form. This will assist the development of computerised data collection which will become standard in future years.
- 7. Finally, thank you for your time and effort in supplying the data which made the 1992-93 Energy Report possible.

Yours sincerely

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