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Dear Chris & Elizabeth

I write further to recent correspondence and discussions regarding the availability of data to support the development of comparison websites.

Our programme of IT development has recently been agreed for 2015. One part of that programme is the development of an online register of our regulated community that can also provide a feed to comparison sites. This is not currently feasible because of the way that data is held across several legacy systems but we are delighted that we will be able to change that towards the end of 2015. We will update you once this project starts.

We are also exploring how best we can provide this data to comparison sites ahead of an on line register. We are currently planning to create a data extract that covers as many of the requested fields as possible. I expect to be able to update you further in September but our current expectation is that we can have this in place by Christmas.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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