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Dear Claire,

PUBLIC LENDING RIGHT RATE PER LOAN PROPOSALS FOR 2014

Many thanks for your e-mail of 21st November 2013. The Booksellers Association very much welcomes being given the opportunity to respond to this Consultation.

We approve of The British Library's proposal that PLR payments in 2014 should be made at a rate of 6.2 pence per loan.

In our submission to William Sieghart's E-book Lending Review Panel we did say in our paragraph 13.3 that in our view PLR should also cover e-books and audiobooks lent out from library premises for a limited time. We do hope that this change could be implemented before July next year.

Also, it would seem to us appropriate for PLR data capture to take place as well in libraries run by volunteers of which they are now quite a few.

With best wishes,
Yours sincerely,

Tim

Tim Godfray
Chief Executive

Encl. BA submission to Sieghart Review Panel