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Dear Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero,

Thank you for your letter of 12 November on your recent announcement of the UK's 2035 Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) to reduce all greenhouse gas emissions by at least 81% by 2035, compared to 1990 levels.

We note that you will be submitting your detailed plans explaining the scope, policies and measures underpinning the NDC to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in early 2025. We look forward to hearing about the plans in our upcoming evidence session with you in January 2025.

We would also like to reiterate the question we asked the previous Government in our letter of 22 May regarding the Chair of the Climate Change Committee (CCC). The CCC has not had a permanent Chair since June 2023 and the appointment of a permanent Chair is crucial to providing long-term strategic leadership for this body to help the UK Government and devolved administrations deliver our net zero target. We would be grateful for an update on the progress made on this.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Baroness Sheehan, Chair of the Environment and Climate Change Committee