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Dear Convener,

I am writing following my appearance at the Committee on 25 November 2025.

Having reviewed the Official Report of the meeting, I have concluded that I should have been much clearer when I was expressing a personal view, as opposed to that of the chair of Environmental Standards Scotland.

I recognise that, on more than one occasion, I provided an opinion about the Scottish Government that was my own, rather than that of Environmental Standards Scotland. I appreciate that in terms of external perception, there may be no differentiation between the two. I will reflect on this experience in preparing for any future evidence sessions with the Committee.

Yours sincerely

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