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Dear Gregor

**The 2021/22 audit of Ferguson Marine Port Glasgow (Holdings) Limited (FMPG)**

Thank you for your recent oral evidence on the above section 22 report at the Public Audit Committee's meeting on [1 June 2023](#). Following the evidence session, the Committee agreed to write to you to request further information in advance of its evidence session with the Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing, Economy, Fair Work and Energy on 22 June 2023. Due to the short turnround required for this information to be received, I understand that the clerks emailed you with advance notice of this request following the meeting last week.

As you will recall during the meeting, I asked whether the Scottish Government would be prepared to share the outcome of the work it had commissioned First Marine International to undertake on the funding and future options for FMPG. I also asked whether the Scottish Government would share the outcome of the due diligence work it commissioned, carried out by Teneo, which was used to make a value for money assessment on the completion of vessel 802 at FMPG.

The Committee recognises that there will be elements of this work that are commercially sensitive, and it has no wish to impact on the shipyard's ability to compete for and win new business or to prejudice the commercial interests of FMI or Teneo. However, in the interests of openness and transparency, the Committee asks

the Scottish Government to consider what information it can make publicly available to the Committee in relation to these two pieces of work, that does not compromise commercially confidential information.

In order for the Committee to consider this information and discuss it during its evidence session with the Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing, Economy, Fair Work and Energy later this month, we ask that a response to this correspondence is provided by **15 June 2023**.

Yours sincerely

**Richard Leonard MSP,  
Convener**