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Dear Convener,

Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes – Joint Consultation

I am writing to make you aware of a forthcoming consultation on the Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes (VETS) later this year, informing the review of the scheme in 2027.

As you are aware, VETS is a joint policy between the UK Government, Scottish Government, Welsh Government and Northern Ireland Executive. I recognise the Committee's interest in this area and wanted to provide an early update, as a request for Scotland to proceed with a joint consultation on the scheme may arrive while the Scottish Parliament is in summer recess. As a four nations scheme, requiring agreement across all four governments, I am not yet able to provide a specific publication date but given the time required to ensure a thorough review of VETS, it may be necessary to launch the consultation during summer. I can assure you the consultation will give all respondents adequate time for response.

The Scottish Government continues to work constructively with counterparts across all of the UK on VETS, and I equally look forward to further engaging with the Committee on this matter in due course.

Yours sincerely,

STEPHEN FLYNN

