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Dear Graeme,

Announcement of the Shadow Chairing Member of Crown Estate Scotland (Interim Management)

I write to advise that Ministers have appointed Amanda Bryan as shadow Chair of Crown Estate Scotland (Interim Management) from 1 December 2016 until 31 March 2017. The interim appointment will be formalised from 1 April 2017 when the new interim body takes on its functions. Ms Bryan is appointed on an interim basis following an open competition under rules laid down by the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland. Ministers will make a public announcement of the appointment.

As shadow Chair Ms Bryan will help to ensure that the new interim body is well placed to take on and perform its full duties, including being involved in the appointment of the Chief Executive and other Board Members, in advance of the body taking on its functions on 1 April 2017.

I hope you find this update helpful.

Yours,



ROSEANNA CUNNINGHAM

Background Information

Amanda Bryan is an experienced chair, non-executive director and rural development practitioner based in the Highlands, near Beauly. Having grown up in Caithness, she has also lived in both Orkney and the Western Isles. She is a Chartered Forester with further qualifications in marine resource management and electrical and electronic engineering all of which are relevant to the work of the Crown Estate Scotland (Interim Management) body. Amanda has extensive experience in rural and community development and stakeholder engagement and has worked across rural Scotland including most of the islands. She currently holds two other public appointments as Forestry Commissioner for Scotland, chairing FC's National Committee for Scotland and a Board Member for Highlands and Islands Enterprise. Amanda is also Chair of the Isle of Eigg Heritage Trust and a Member of OFCOM's Advisory Committee for Scotland.