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Dear Graeme,

**Committee on Climate Change Advice on the forthcoming Climate Change Bill**

On 12 October 2017 I wrote to the Committee on Climate Change to seek updated advice on the appropriate levels of future Scottish emission reduction targets and the best design of a statutory climate target framework.

I received the advice, attached to this letter at Annex A, on 20 December. The advice will shortly be published on both the Scottish Government and Committee on Climate Change websites.

I am considering the advice carefully, and my officials are discussing it with key external stakeholders as part of the final phase of the Government's consultation on the Climate Change Bill proposals.

The advice is highly technical and I would appreciate the opportunity to discuss it with you prior to introduction of the Bill in the coming months. If you are content, I will ask my office to arrange a suitable time at your convenience.

Yours,

**ROSEANNA CUNNINGHAM**

**ANNEX A – ADVICE FROM COMMITTEE ON CLIMATE CHANGE ON THE APPROPRIATE LEVELS OF FUTURE SCOTTISH EMISSION REDUCTION TARGETS AND THE BEST DESIGN OF A STATUTORY CLIMATE TARGET FRAMEWORK.**