Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> February 2025 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting, 2025 (Session 6)

## **Instrument Responses**

## Little Loch Broom Scallops Several Fishery (Variation) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/7)

## On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2025, the Committee asked the Scottish Government:

- 1. The instrument amends the Little Loch Broom Scallops Several Fishery Order 2015 ("the principal Order"), which conferred a right of fishery on Scot-Hatch Limited. The principal purpose of the instrument is to extend the period of that right. The instrument also amends the designation of Scot-Hatch Limited in the principal Order. The instrument updates the address of the company's registered office and adds its company number, but it also amends the company's designation from a company "limited by guarantee" to a company "limited by shares". The Register of Companies shows that the company never was limited by guarantee (see its <u>Certificate of Incorporation</u> dated 17 October 2013). Can you confirm that this amendment is in fact correcting an error in the designation of the company? If so, should this have been made plain, for example in the Explanatory Note or Policy Note?
- 2. Please confirm whether any corrective action is proposed, and if so, what action and when.

## On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2025, the Scottish Government responded:

The amendment is correcting an error in the designation of the company in the principal Order. The Scottish Government will amend the Policy Note to clarify this point and will provide a copy of the revised note to the Committee when available.