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Dear Huw,

Thank you for your detailed report which was published on 16 January 2023. I reiterate my thanks to the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee for its diligent work on the UK Infrastructure Bank Bill.

I am pleased that the Committee agrees with Welsh Government that all the clauses listed in the Memorandum fall within the legislative competence of the Senedd as per Conclusion 1 of your Report.

I note that your Report reiterates your concerns relating to intergovernmental working. As outlined in my previous correspondence, although progress was at times slow due primarily to events occurring in Westminster, formal dispute resolution would have amounted to an unnecessary escalation. Through constructive dialogue, I and my officials were able to achieve a number of concessions, ensuring that we could recommend that the Senedd provided consent.

You will be aware that a debate was held on 17 January 2023. I am pleased that the Senedd consented to the Legislative Consent Motion.

Yours sincerely,

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