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Dear both,

I am pleased to share with you and your Committees the finalised Framework Outline Agreement for the UK Emissions Trading Scheme (the FOA) and the related Concordat, to coincide with their publication.

The FOA establishes common expectations around key areas of cooperation in the implementation of the UK Emissions Trading Scheme (UK ETS), in the context of the UK's departure from the EU. All four UK administrations agreed to work together to establish common approaches, known as Common Frameworks, in policy areas previously governed by EU law, and which intersect with areas of devolved competence. The Concordat establishes a governance framework in which decisions relating to the UK ETS will be made.

Officials in the Welsh Government, together with their counterparts across the UK, have been working jointly to develop this FOA and the Concordat.

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

The set of documents can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-emissions-trading-scheme-common-framework>

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Julie James". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J'.

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