

Julie James MS

Minister for Climate Change

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Deposit return Scheme (DRS): Inclusion of glass

Dear Julie,

Please find enclosed correspondence received from the Food and Drink Federation Cymru, noting work being done on the interoperability of the DRS schemes in different parts of the UK, but setting out serious concerns about the possible economic impact of the inclusion of glass in the planned Deposit Return Scheme in Wales.

In particular FDF Cymru are asking whether Welsh Government has conducted a full economic impact assessment of the plans and the effect it could have on the Welsh economy. The Committee would be very grateful if you could address this question and confirm what assessments have been made, what effect you think the plans could have on Welsh businesses and the Welsh economy, and what actions are planned to mitigate any negative impacts. The Committee would also welcome being kept updated on the status of implementation plans for the DRS in Wales.

Kind regards,



Paul Davies MS

Chair: Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee

CC: Llyr Gruffydd, Chair, Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English

