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Dear Paul,

### IDDs

I write to you as Chair of the ETRA Committee with a request for the Committee to undertake an inquiry into IDD areas in Wales.

In the face of the financial crisis and climate crisis that we are currently living through it is becoming increasingly clear that the current IDD regime cannot continue. It is impossible to do the necessary work to maintain these low lands from being claimed by the sea in light of the other needs facing NRW. There is a real danger that we will lose some of Wales' most fertile and productive lands over the next few decades if there is no change in how NRW operates within the IDD regime.

As the direction of NRW work is a political decision, only a political decision can find a solution to the challenges facing IDD areas.

I know that your forward work programme is full and therefore it is going to be very difficult to undertake an intensive inquiry into the matter. The Committee may therefore wish to hold a short inquiry to gain a better understanding of the issues before deciding to proceed further.

Thank you for your time and I hope that the Committee will consider my request favourably.

Yours sincerely,

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