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Petition to National Assembly for Wales on shale gas

Thank you for your letter of 23 July, informing the Welsh Affairs Committee about the petition received by your Committee about shale gas exploration. This will be a helpful contribution to our inquiry on Shale Gas in Wales, which is set to begin in October. I will ensure your letter and the petition are circulated to Committee Members.

You asked about being kept updated with the progress for our inquiry. We will soon be publishing the written evidence for the inquiry on our website, at www.parliament.uk/welshcom. Oral evidence is likely to begin in late October. The Committee staff will liaise with your officials to keep you informed of progress with the inquiry.

I am grateful that you contacted the Welsh Affairs Committee in this way. It is a good example of co-operation between our two legislatures. I would be grateful if you let us know in future of any other petitions considered by the National Assembly's Petitions Committee which are relevant to our inquiries.

Yours sincerely,

David T.C. Davies MP Chair, Welsh Affairs Select Committee