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Alex Norris, MP  
*Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for  
Building Safety, Fire and Local Growth*  
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Dear Minister,

Thank you for your very helpful letter of 25<sup>th</sup> June, describing the way that the UK's freeports have been incorporated into the recently published Industrial Strategy and highlighting how they may benefit from it.

At Forth Green Freeport (FGF), we very much support the joint obligation to attract green industrial investment in concert with our communities, in particular through training for enhanced skills and greater access to high quality, green focused, long-term jobs.

For the absence of doubt, we have a senior trade union appointee on our Board, a Fair Work Charter and a Net Zero Charter – all of which are foundational pillars that we take very seriously. We publish our Board minutes and recently made it a standing item at each meeting to hear from the three local authorities on the Board specifically about FGF-related community engagement. Once our FBC is approved, the MoU signed, and we are in delivery mode, we will plan for an annual public meeting of the Board.

We have high hopes and big ambitions for Forth Green Freeport and will keep in view the suite of support measures emanating from the Industrial Strategy along with support from the Scottish Government as well. We value greatly the constructive way the two governments work together in relation to our freeports.

Sincerely,



Dame Susan Rice

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