



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

Gillian Martin MSP
Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Energy
Scottish Government

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Dear Gillian

Draft Climate Change Plan timeline

During your evidence to the Committee on 9 September you advised that if the Carbon Budget Regulations were approved, you were confident you would be able to publish the draft Climate Change Plan (CCP) by the end of October or early November. This reiterated the timeline in your [24 July letter](#) to the Committee. As the Regulations were approved in the chamber on 8 October and we are now nearing the end of the month, I am writing to request a further update on timing of the draft CCP.

Knowing when the draft is to be laid will be invaluable to the Committee in our planning for the immediate future. This is because we want to begin taking evidence on the draft as soon as reasonably possible but cannot start filling slots until the laying date is known. Any business agreed in the meantime will inevitably have to be arranged at very short notice which, you will appreciate, will be highly inconvenient for anyone invited to give evidence during this waiting period.

Clarifying the laying date (or the week of the laying date) as soon as possible would therefore help the Committee, and indeed other parliamentary committees who intend to consider the draft Plan.

I request a response to this letter by Monday 3 November.

Yours sincerely,

Edward Mountain MSP
Convener