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Graeme Dey MSP
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Committee
Scottish Parliament
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Dear Mr Dey,

It has been brought to my attention that during my appearance at the Environment Climate Change and Land Reform Committee on the 21st of February I inadvertently provided incorrect information.

I stated that:

“Taking CCS capability away from the power sector, for example, was raising our system costs by around £6.5 billion. For that reason, we kept CCS in the mix; it is part of our low-cost solution”

I should have said that taking CCS capability away from the power sector raised total system cost by around £3.5 billion. This is the figure I provided in my previous appearance on the 24th of January. Where I responded to a question from you with the following statement:

“We have run a model without carbon capture and storage for the power sector, and the implication of that is that the system cost rises significantly, by around £3.5 billion.”

I wish to apologise for any confusion my error has caused.

Yours Sincerley

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