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Committee Chair - Llyr Gruffydd MS  
Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee  
Welsh Parliament  
Cardiff Bay  
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Dear Mr. Gruffydd,

Thank you for inviting the Welsh Government Energy Service to provide evidence to the Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure (CCEI) Committee in writing and in person on 24 November / 7 December 2022. We welcome the work of the CCEI Committee and the recent publications from Audit Wales in emphasising the importance of public sector decarbonisation in Wales.

The Energy Service works with the public sector and community enterprises to reduce energy use, generate locally owned, renewable energy and reduce carbon emissions. We provide technical, commercial and procurement advice and support to help turn energy projects into reality, working on regional energy planning, energy efficiency, renewable energy and ultra-low emission or electric vehicle projects.

The Energy Service is delivered via a contract framework set up and funded by the Welsh Government and delivered by external contractors with the Carbon Trust and the Energy Saving Trust as joint leads. The Energy Service contract is due to expire in March 2023 and is currently being re-tendered through Sell2Wales.

We have discussed your invitation with our Welsh Government contract managers, who have in turn discussed this with the CCEI Secretariat. Following these discussions, it has been concluded that it would be inappropriate for the Energy Service to participate in the Committee proceedings whilst in the final stages of the tender process. We do not wish to place at risk the procurement process and ultimately the ability for the new service to start in April 2023. We will therefore decline the invitation to provide evidence at this stage.

The Energy Service annual reports are published online and demonstrate the breadth and mechanisms of support provided by the programme since 2018, along with the positive consequences of this work:

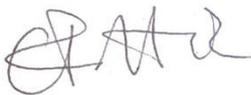
- [Year 1 Annual Report \(2018-19\)](#)
- [Year 2 Annual Report \(2019-20\)](#)
- [Year 3 Annual Report \(2020-21\)](#)
- [Year 4 Annual Report \(2021-22\)](#)

Additionally, the Energy Service has supported the development of regional energy plans, which set out the level of ambition and scale of change necessary for the pathway to net zero across Wales:

- [North Wales](#)
- [Mid Wales](#)
- [South-West Wales](#)
- [Cardiff Capital Region](#)

We wish the Committee every success with the enquiry and look forward to hearing the outcomes of the session.

Yours sincerely,



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