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Dear Cabinet Secretary,

**The Water and Sewerage Services to Dwellings (Collection of Unmetered Charges by Local Authority) (Scotland) Order 2023 (SSI 2023/052)**

At our meeting on 21 March, the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee considered the above Order. We agreed to make no recommendations in relation to this instrument.

We also agreed to write to the Scottish Government to seek clarification on questions arising from our consideration of the Order. In particular, we are requesting information on the total annual costs collected by local authorities for the water and sewerage service provided by Scottish Water. We are also looking to ascertain if there is a difference in the amount levied by local authorities for these services and the financial settlement reached with Scottish Water.

I would welcome a response to these points at your earliest convenience.

Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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Convener  
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