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A9 Dualling: Tomatin to Moy project – Procurement update

Dear Edward

I write to provide an update to the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee on the procurement for dualling of the A9 between Tomatin to Moy.

I am pleased to confirm that Transport Scotland has today, announced its intention to award Balfour Beatty Civil Engineering Ltd the construction contract for this project.

Today's announcement marks the final phase in the procurement process which, subject to the successful completion of a mandatory 10 day standstill period, will conclude with the contract being awarded to Balfour Beatty.

The contract, which is worth £184.7 million, has been competitively procured with three bids being received, demonstrating value for money. The award of the contract will start our rolling programme of construction to dual the A9 between Perth and Inverness by 2035.

The project will upgrade 9.6km (6 miles) of single carriageway to dual carriageway between the villages of Tomatin and Moy, approximately 21km (13 miles) south of Inverness. When complete, there will be approximately 33km (20 miles) of continuous dual carriageway between Inverness and Slochd.

The A9 Dualling: Tomatin to Moy project will improve road safety, journey times and reliability. In addition, it will generate economic growth and support businesses, communities and tourism throughout Scotland by improving access to and from the Highlands and Islands.

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This announcement is another major milestone demonstrating the Government's steadfast commitment to implement its [delivery plan for A9 Dualling](#).

Further details on the project can be found on the A9 Dualling dedicated website www.a9dualling.scot.

I hope you find the above information helpful.

Yours sincerely,



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