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Ein cyf/Our ref: WQ91322 Janet Finch-Saunders Welsh Parliament Janet.Finch-saunders@senedd.wales

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Dear Janet,

I write in response to WQ91322: What discussion has the Welsh Government had with Hitachi about the potential sale of the Wylfa Newydd site?

Following the suspension of the Wylfa Newydd project, the Welsh Government was approached by Horizon Nuclear Power in 2020 regarding the possibility of taking ownership of the Wylfa Newydd site. Initial discussions did not, however, progress beyond the preliminary once it became clear that Hitachi, owners of Horizon Nuclear Power, was seeking a market price for the site.

I have made representations to numerous UK Ministers regarding this matter and the need for clarity that leads to successful investment that benefits the local economy and its communities. The announcement by the Chancellor today that an agreement has been reached with Hitachi for the purchase of the Wylfa site is a step in the right direction.

Yours sincerely,

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