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Janet Finch-Saunders AM
Chair, Petitions Committee

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Dear Janet,

Thank you for your letter regarding the petition P-05-803 related to taxing single-use plastics.

The Welsh Government continues to engage with the UK Government on their proposals for a UK-wide plastic packaging tax. The UK Government is planning to launch a technical consultation on the design and operation of the tax in the next few months. We will work with key Welsh stakeholders, as part of this next round of evidence gathering, to ensure Welsh views are fed into the detailed design and implementation aspects of any tax in this area.

Welsh Government is also actively considering a Welsh-specific tax or charge on single-use plastic cups. We are currently building an evidence base to assess the merits of introducing such a measure. I am mindful that the decision to introduce a tax should be considered in light of the expected impact of forthcoming changes to Extended Producer Responsibility schemes and proposals for a deposit return scheme, to ensure that any additional measures are fair and proportionate, in line with our tax principles set out in the Tax Policy Framework.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rebecca Evans." The signature is written in a cursive style.

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