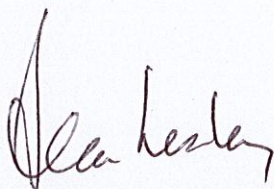


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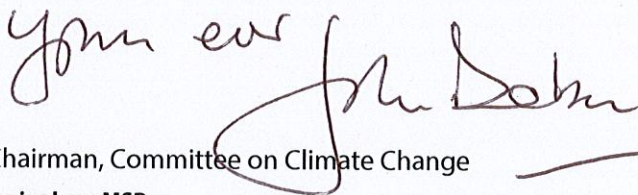
Thank you for your letter of 15 October 2018, requesting that the Committee on Climate Change review the UK's long-term climate change targets, in light of our obligations under the Paris Agreement.

I am writing to confirm that we plan to deliver our report, addressing all of your questions, on 2 May. This publication date is later than requested - a reflection of the scope and importance of the task.

My Committee is now formulating its advice. We have completed a call for evidence and initiated 10 major new analytical projects with consultants and academics. At present, we are undertaking an extensive review of the literature, including last year's IPCC Special Report. We are also engaging widely with stakeholders, including through three new expert advisory groups. I am most grateful for the support that your officials – and those across Government – are providing to our work.

The Paris Agreement has changed the context for climate action in the UK. I am confident that our analysis will provide you with robust evidence for the decisions that must follow in each nation of the UK.

We look forward to providing you with our advice in due course.



Lord Deben, Chairman, Committee on Climate Change

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