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Chris

We are still assessing yesterday's announcement but in short, it does not impact on the existing 2020 targets that have been set for individual member states nor on our 40% target.

Regards

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Good morning Michael,

Trust you are well, apologies not getting a chance to speak to you at the RGLG meeting last week.

Not sure if you are the correct person to speak to about this but if not, could you forward it to the correct person?

Yesterday Brussels announced amendments to the 20/20/20 targets. In relation to renewables, it was announced that a EU-wide binding renewable energy target of (at least) 27% by 2030. The announcement was significant that it heralded the dropping of national-binding targets on renewables. Noted that national capitals are free to set their own renewable objectives.

My question regards the possible implications for Northern Ireland and our own targets for renewables? Will they be affected?

I look forward to hearing from you.

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