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Subject: FMB urges NI Assembly to block DETI decision to remove Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI)

Good morning,

I am writing in response to the recent announcement by the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment (DETI) that there will be no further funding available through the Renewable Heat Incentive.

The matter will be voted on by the Assembly on Monday 15th February and the FMB is urging all MLAs to block this decision by the DETI and urge the Department to reconsider its decision to remove the funding and instead introduce a staggered approach – this could involve a winding down period over a timeframe agreed through consultation with businesses that are affected. This will allow them an opportunity to plan for the change in their revenue streams.

This action is crucial if the Assembly is serious about protecting jobs and growth in Northern Ireland.

Attached is our letter to Jonathan Bell, Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Investment, which sets out our concerns in more detail.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information.

Kind regards
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