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Subject: Renewable Fuel Targets

1. The Committee for the Environment, at its meeting on 10 November 2011 considered a research paper in relation to District Heating Schemes.
2. The research paper states that the Department of Enterprise Trade and Investment has recently commissioned research on the potential for renewable heat in Northern Ireland, which includes a high level assessment of the potential for district heat.
3. Members agreed to write to the Department of Enterprise Trade and Investment asking if it will give consideration to individual renewable fuel targets.
4. I would be grateful if you could, pending approval from your Committee, forward the attached letter to the Department for Enterprise, Trade & Investment for comment.

**Alex McGarel
Clerk
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