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Subject: Second RHI query - Arlene Foster's letter to Greg Barker

Hi Clive,

I don't need a response to this until tomorrow.

A letter from Arlene Foster to Greg Barker has been released under FoI and passed to me. I have attached it to this email.

It conflicts with what Mrs Foster has consistently said about there having been a low uptake of the non-domestic RHI scheme at the start.

In her December 2013 letter - just a year into the scheme - she told Mr Barker that uptake had been an "encouraging level of uptake" with the number of applications in Northern Ireland at 7% of the total for the GB scheme (even though NI is just 2.8% of the UK population) during the first year of the GB scheme.

Why did Mrs Foster tell Mr Barker that uptake had been strong in the first year of the scheme when she has in recent months told the public that uptake was poor at the start and that additional advertising was necessary as a result? '

Thanks,

Sam