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Dear Matt,

I am writing to you in response to the points you raised during the Committee stage of the Finance Bill on 30 November 2022 regarding Vehicle Excise Duty (VED). You asked whether the Government would commit to carrying out regular assessments of the impact of the introduction of VED on electric vehicles from 2025, on electric vehicle take-up.

The Government already publishes data on air pollution, electric charging infrastructure and vehicle registrations by fuel type. It would therefore not be proportionate for the Treasury to reproduce data published elsewhere. There are many factors that influence the Government's delivery of climate change targets, air pollution, EV infrastructure and public transport use. It would be highly methodologically challenging to determine the specific impacts of the VED changes on any one of these areas.

A tax information and impact note on this measure has also been published, noting the expected impacts of these VED changes. This can be accessed here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/introduction-of-vehicle-excise-duty-for-zero-emission-cars-vans-and-motorcycles-from-2025>.

I also wish to note that, in response to the points you raised during the Committee stage of the Finance Bill on 30 November 2022 regarding Vehicle Excise Duty (VED), I referred to "7 million or so electric vehicles on our roads". According to the latest published statistics from the Department for Transport, there are 921,824 licensed electric vehicles in the UK in total, as of June 2022. This figure includes pure electric vehicles as well as plug-in hybrid vehicles and includes all vehicle types.

A copy of this letter will be deposited in the Libraries of the House.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Victoria Atkins'.

VICTORIA ATKINS MP