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Dear Mick

I am writing to inform you that I have laid a statutory instrument consent memorandum ("the memorandum") in relation to the Waste and Environmental Permitting etc. (Legislative Functions and Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 ("the Regulations") which were made by the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for the Environment, on 20 October. The Regulations contain amendments to the Environmental Protection Act 1990 which include provision for Wales.

The purpose of the Regulations will ensure that existing domestic and retained EU legislation will still be fit for purpose. For example, it updates references in domestic EU Exit legislation so that they refer to waste and resources Directives and Regulations as amended by the EU Circular Economy Package. It also makes EU Exit related amendments to, or revokes, recent EU legislation which will become retained direct EU law. The European Commission's powers related to the Waste Framework Directive Article 7(1) will now be exercised by the Secretary of State and devolved administrations as appropriate.

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Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb gohebiaeth a dderbynnir yn Gymraeg yn Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

I have laid the memorandum in accordance with the requirement under Standing Order (SO) 30A. I consider the Regulations to be a relevant statutory instrument because they make a provision in relation to Wales amending primary legislation within the legislative competence of the Senedd, which is not an incidental, consequential, transitional, transitory, supplementary or savings provision relating to matters that are not within the legislative competence of the Senedd.

Regards

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