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Dear Matt,

RE: Message to the Staff and Management of West Burton A

On Wednesday 15 June, National Grid Electricity System Operator concluded an agreement with EDF to temporarily extend the operation of West Burton A for the purpose of reinforcing our nation's energy security over the coming winter.

On behalf of Her Majesty's Government, I am writing to express my sincere gratitude to all involved at EDF for your engagement and co-operation throughout this process, which has facilitated the timely agreement of a contract with the Electricity System Operator.

I recognise that the decision to extend West Burton's operation was a complex one that posed considerable challenges for EDF. Moreover, I am aware that, following that conclusion of this agreement, significant work will now be underway to ensure that the plant is in a position to deliver power to the grid if called upon by the Electricity System Operator over the coming winter.

In this context, I would therefore also like to express my sincere thanks in advance to the staff and management of West Burton A for your work over the coming months.

I hope that you will take pride in knowing that you are playing your part in reinforcing our country's energy security during this unprecedented time.

Yours sincerely,

The Rt Hon Kwasi Kwarteng
Secretary of State Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy