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Dear Frances

Scottish Budget 2011/12 – Forth Estuary Transport Authority

Thank you for your letter dated 24 November 2010 concerning the above.

I am pleased that the operational and maintenance requirements of Forth Road Bridge, which were discussed between Transport Scotland and FETA officials, were recognised in the funding figures released.

I agree that the working relationship between officials has been crucial in the preparation of budgets and I would like to thank your staff for their approach and professionalism in dealing with these sometimes difficult issues.

I will ensure that discussion and notification regarding contracts that have to be awarded to run over several years, are carried out in advance to ensure that you have as much information as possible to allow Scottish Ministers to make the decisions on future spend.

Regards

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