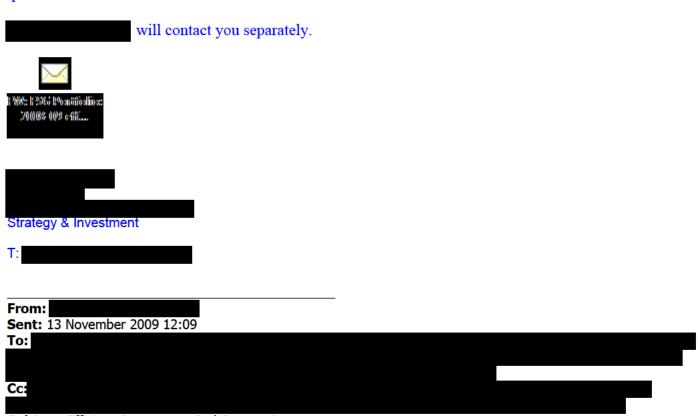
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Your e-mail of 13th November refers, and we discussed on the 'phone. Thank you for your comments.

As you know FETA and TRBJB reduced their staffing numbers because of the removal of tolls, and thus met and exceeded the efficiency savings required, indeed not only in 2008-09, but in 2009-10 and 2010-11. These are declared as recurrent savings, and FETA and TRBJB are not required to produce any further savings for the period. Attached previous return refers. I understand that we may need to reconfirm at each quarter.



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DG Economy project managers, copied DG Economy and DG Economy business managers

We are now undertaking the 2nd quarter assessment of the Efficiency Delivery Plans (EDPs). When doing the first, I tried a long lead in time and that didn't make life particularly easy in getting timely returns, so this time round I'm trying the opposite approach.

As with the last round, I'm asking you to update the previous assessment and send it to me. I've been having some computer glitches at this end so I'm afraid I can't attach a copy of your last assessments but I'm sure you'll have them anyway. I'd be grateful if you would update your assessments and return them to me by close on Friday 20 November. I am grateful to those of you who are already doing so without having been

prompted. For information, I'm attaching a link and a copy of our tracking sheet which tells you each RAG status last time round.

You will be aware that the recent Audit Scotland report, Scotland's public finances: preparing for the future, has again highlighted the importance that increased efficiency will play in helping the public sector to meet the funding gap we face in the next few years. Delivery of savings therefore remains a key priority for Scottish Ministers.

As ever, I'm around to discuss and advise,



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