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c/o Clerk to the Committee
Room T3.40
The Scottish Parliament

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Dear Rob

CAP PAYMENTS

I wrote to you on 29 January to give the Committee an update on progress with the new CAP Basic and Greening payments. In that letter I said that, up to the 29 January, we had paid around 5,000 claims. As you know, I provided a further update to Parliament on Tuesday when I said that, since then, we had processed around a 1,000 further claims. So the formal update I am providing today is the latest figures up to Wednesday 3 February.

As you know, I will provide further updates on a weekly basis.

I am also sending the same information to stakeholder organisations, and will do so regularly from now on.

Yours sincerely,

RICHARD LOCHHEAD

ANNEX A

Weekly Update on Basic Payment Scheme (BPS) Payments Published 05 February 2016

BPS Payments	
Total number of eligible BPS claims <i>This is an estimate of the total number of eligible BPS claims. They are still being finalised and therefore this figure is expected to change over time. All the percentage of payments paid noted within the report, are a percentage of this figure.</i>	18,137
Number of payments committed as at close of business 27 January 2016	5,166 (28%)
Total number of payments committed (as at close of business 03 February 2016) <i>Includes all payments that have been submitted into the banking system. The majority will have arrived in customers' accounts but some may still be working their way through the banking system.</i>	6,392 (35%)