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Dear George,

Thank you for your letter dated 6 November, enclosing an example of correspondence that you have received from a number of your constituents, about home energy efficiency. I apologise for the delayed response.

This Government is committed to creating a more stable, more coherent and more affordable policy framework for home energy in the long term. We will establish that framework by working closely with our partners, which will enable us to understand their ideas based on evidence of what works. We will set out our thinking in due course. To help with this, the Government has commissioned an independent review led by Peter Bonfield to look at consumer protection, advice, standards and enforcement for UK housing energy efficiency.

The Government would welcome any insights that your constituents can provide to this independent review using the details below:

[Energyefficiencyreview@decc.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:Energyefficiencyreview@decc.gsi.gov.uk).

In response to your constituents' concerns, our extension of the Warm Home Discount to 2020/21 at current levels of £320m per annum will also help households who are at most risk of fuel poverty.

There will be a reformed domestic supplier obligation (Energy Company Obligation) from April 2017, which will run for 5 years and will upgrade the energy efficiency of well over 200,000 homes per year. This will help to tackle the root cause of fuel poverty and continue to deliver on our commitment to help 1 million more homes this Parliament.

Yours sincerely

AMBER RUDD