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Dear Mr Ward,

Thank you for your recent letters to the Prime Minister and Greg Clark, about climate change. I am replying as this matter falls within my portfolio.

The UK Government's commitment to tackling global climate change remains as strong as ever. The Prime Minister was clear in her visit to the United States that we need to deal with the threats that face the modern world and this includes climate change. She also made clear that threats like climate change do not respect national borders and that we must work together, including through multinational institutions like the United Nations, to encourage international cooperation and partnership.

The UK and US face shared challenges on energy, and we have worked closely with them on climate change issues in the past. We aim to maintain our close work on this important agenda as the world continues its transition to a low carbon global economy, as well as working with the US both at federal and state level on a whole range of energy issues. Indeed, Jesse Norman is attending the CERA conference in Houston this week.

The UK Government played a major role when the world came together in 2015 in Paris to reach the ambitious deal to reduce global CO2 emissions. Less than a year later, the landmark Paris Agreement has entered into force as a sign of the continued commitment to climate action across the world.

We will continue to play a leading role internationally, delivering on our commitments and working with international partners to create a safer, more prosperous future for us all.

Yours sincerely

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Minister of State