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Dear Ruth,

Thank you for your correspondence of 4 June, regarding The Assimilated Law Parliamentary Report. I appreciate your continued interest in this space – as you know I was proud to champion the commitment to maintaining environmental standards during the parliamentary passage of the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023.

The Assimilated Law Parliamentary Report was laid before parliament today and this details all revocations and reforms of assimilated law from 24 December 2024 to 23 June 2025. In it, the Government has reaffirmed its commitment that upholding and maintaining environmental protections – alongside protecting consumers and businesses - are important regulatory aims and key to delivering sustained economic growth.

While DBT officials continue to work closely with Defra officials with regards to assimilated law, Defra officials are best placed to provide further details of the Government's specific plans for environmental reforms.

Yours sincerely,

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