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Dear Andrew,

Thank you for your letter on behalf of the Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee.

I wish to assure you I share the same concerns the Committee has raised regarding the challenges facing the steel industry in Wales and across the UK.

The Welsh steel industry is a key enabler to our manufacturing and construction sectors, and as such it is a critical foundation industry of economic and strategic importance to Wales and the UK.

The Welsh Government continues to work closely with the Tata Steel UK Transition Board and is committed to supporting the delivery of interventions to all those affected by Tata Steel's transition to greener steelmaking.

You will be aware that the national officers of all three steel unions, Community, Unite, and the GMB attend the Board and provide an important and constructive contribution to its work. I understand that the Secretary of State for Wales, the Rt Hon Jo Stevens, will address local union representation in her response to your letter in her role as Chair of the Board.

Yours sincerely,

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