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Dear REDAC

I am writing with regards to Ferguson Marine's bid to build a series of REDACTED
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The former Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Fair Work and Culture, Fiona Hyslop MSP, wrote to you in March 2021 setting out the Scottish Government's support for the Ferguson Marine bid.

I would like to take this opportunity to reiterate that support, including our in-principle commitment to providing a refund guarantee for the project, subject to due diligence. The Scottish Government would be a strong backer of any guarantee with the requisite financial security that comes from being a devolved government.

Our First Minister and Deputy First Minister had the honour of meeting your REDACTED
REDACTED, REDACTED. We are keen to build upon this positive engagement between our countries and would be delighted to see the REDACTED contract delivered in Scotland.

I also understand that the Ferguson Marine management team are keen to visit REDACTED within the next few weeks to discuss the project further and they look forward to hearing whether there might be an opportunity to do so.

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