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From Mrs Louise Ellman MP, Chair

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Dear Patrick,

We are currently preparing terms of reference for an inquiry into the user experience of the Government motoring agencies, which will be launched early next month. In preparation for that we would be grateful for a briefing on the latest position with the EU Roadworthiness Package and an indication of when it is likely to be agreed.

Concerns have been expressed to us about the costs associated with this legislation. I would be grateful if you could set out what the differences were between the current arrangements for testing vehicles and what was originally proposed by the Commission in the Roadworthiness Package, for each class of vehicle. As part of this analysis, I would be grateful if you could provide an estimate of the time required to undertake each additional testing requirement and the cost for UK vehicle operators of those additional checks.

Could you also provide the same comparative information in respect of the latest version of the Roadworthiness Package and quantify the benefits arising to the UK of the current proposals?

I would be grateful if you could supply us with this information by Monday 20 January.

*Best wishes
Louise*

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