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**To:** Eaton, Victoria  
**Subject:** RE: MWLP Examination Questions

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Morning Victoria,

Thanks for the below – I've drafted a response for your review:

*At the current time, it is unclear how the UK Government statement on improving water quality and nutrient pollution will play out in the context of Welsh Water's role as the statutory sewerage undertaker for large parts of Herefordshire. We are however committed to playing our part in ensuring that we are investing in those assets that are causing the most adverse impact on the environment, and have and continue to work collaboratively with our environmental regulators (Natural Resources Wales and the Environment Agency) on our investment plans.*

*To this end, we are investing £836 million on improving our wastewater assets during our current investment plan (AMP7 – 2020-2025), including a specific £250 million National Environment Programme (NEP) developed in conjunction with our environmental regulators. For the River Wye and River Lugg SAC catchment area specifically, we are investing £70 million within this AMP to increase phosphorous removal at wastewater treatment works (WwTWs) across the area including at the two major Hereford city WwTWs (Eign & Rotherwas) and Leominster. As a point of clarity, we are responsible for over 75 WwTWs within the Wye and Lugg SAC area.*

*As a Company we are fully supportive of partnership working and in the Herefordshire area we are a stakeholder to the Wye Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) and have been a fully engaged member of the Nutrient Management Board (NMB) since its inception. This reflects our ongoing commitment to working with other stakeholders to achieve favourable condition status for the SAC, whilst seeking to enable development. You will also be aware that we are working in partnership with Herefordshire Council who aim to deliver up to eight nutrient polishing wetlands at WwTWs on the River Lugg by 2025.*

I trust this is useful, but please let me know if you would like to discuss.

Kind regards,



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Hello Ryan,

Many thanks for speaking to me today about the Inspectors' examination questions. Here is the full content of the question we were discussing:

Q4: Does the recent Government statement on improving water quality and tackling nutrient pollution dated 20 July 2022 raise any implications? Does the fact that Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water operate the five waste water treatment works that discharge into the Rivers Wye or Lugg have any bearing on the Government statement?

Your offer of providing me with some appropriate wording in response is much appreciated and I look forward to hearing back from you tomorrow, if possible.

Kind regards,  
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