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Dear Deputy [REDACTED]

Thank you for your letter of 03 February 2010 and our recent telephone conversation, regarding co-operation between our islands on the disposal of solid waste. As the Chief Minister is in Washington this week, I am replying on his behalf.

The Council of Ministers are committed to improving the co-operation between our two Islands. Senator Paul Routier, Assistant Chief Minister, is leading discussions for Jersey within the group constituted by the Guernsey Policy Council and led by Deputy [REDACTED], Minister for Commerce & Employment.

We believe that discussions about greater co-operation between our islands, including co-operation on the disposal of solid waste, would be best conducted through these arrangements. I am sure that Connétable Mike Jackson, Transport & Technical Services Minister, will be pleased to engage in constructive discussion with your Minister under the aegis of this group. Should discussions lead to an agreement on greater co-operation, then our Council of Ministers would expect to receive a report setting out the proposal and the full implications. This would allow us to thoroughly evaluate the options as part of the decision making process.

I hope you are assured of our commitment to cooperation between our islands, and to the group established for this purpose, and understand our desire for each development to be based on discussions between our respective Ministers leading to sound business cases that demonstrate the overall benefits to each island.

Yours sincerely

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