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**Cc:** [Redacted]

Subject: RE: URGENT Supplementary Question - S6O-02279

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Please see information requested below:

## **Green Jobs Fund**

The 2020-21 Programme for Government outlines plans for a five year Green Jobs Fund of up to £100m to "support new and increased opportunities for green job creation across Scotland". The Green Jobs Fund will support businesses and their supply chains to help them better transition to a low carbon economy. The support provided by the fund aims to create green employment through investment in equipment, premises, research and development. The fund, all of which is capital, will secure and create jobs by ensuring that Scottish businesses are well placed to capitalise on public and private investment in the transition to net-zero, and businesses that win work in Scotland can then go on to win work in other markets, creating even more green jobs.

#### GJF comprises two tranches of money:

- £50m baselined into the Enterprise Agencies
- Up to £50m under the direct control of Scottish Ministers. NB: Budget for the Scottish Ministers Tranche 2 was cut post spending review and is currently sitting at £32.02m and may be subject to further changes.

#### **Green Jobs Fund Projects include:**

#### WESA project – funded by Scottish Ministers

The Whole Energy Systems Accelerator (WESA) project is a collaboration between two specialist organisations, Energy Systems Catapult (ESC) 'Living Lab' and the University of Strathclyde, Power Networks Demonstration Centre (PNDC). This project started in 2021-22 and has received funding from SG of £4.5m to date, with a further £4m requested. with combined funding of almost £2.5 million from Scottish Ministers. This project is forecast to generate £129m GVA for the Scottish economy and almost 3,000 jobs throughout Scotland, over the next 10 years.

## • Projects funded by Scottish Enterprise

O Hydrasun Ltd: The plan is to establish a dedicated Hydrogen Skills Academy based in Aberdeen which will create a centre of excellence for Hydrogen Technologies in the UK and Europe. This significant investment would help Scotland play a lead role in the development of a low carbon economy globally. SE are providing grant funding of £200,000 and the project is expected to create 62 new green jobs.

- WGM Engineering: The aim is to create a Renewables Business Division which would incorporate the existing EV charging points business but expand to new services such as solar photo-voltaic cells, battery storage, voltage optimisation, hydrogen fuels and nonchemical phosphorus removal as they increase knowledge and inhouse capability. To meet an identified gap in the market, the company has developed a prototype Solar Canopy which is an alternative to ground level solar panels. SE funding is £460,000 and the forecast is the creation of 72 new jobs.
- Morlich Homes funded by Highlands and Islands Enterprise
   The company will establish a new production facility for sustainable modular timber frame homes. Morlich Homes Limited (MHL) is developing the facility after purchasing a site at Elgin Business Park. They have received £77,000 of Green Jobs Funding and are expected to create 14 Green Jobs.
- Meducan Ltd Funded by South of Scotland Enterprise
  The company is a start-up looking to establish itself as a market leader in the
  manufacture and supply of medicinal cannabis and CBD products. Meducan's
  strategic vision is to position itself at the forefront of agricultural technology,
  including but not limited to: Agricultural Engineering Precision Innovation; Agri
  metrics; Crop Health and Protection; and Aeroponic Vertical Farming. They
  have been awarded £240,000 green jobs funding and are expected to create
  116 Green Jobs.

# **Energy Transition Fund**

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# **Just Transition Fund**

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From: [Redacted]> On Behalf Of Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero & Just Transition

Sent: 24 May 2023 17:28

To: [Redacted] Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero & Just Transition < CabSecNZJT@gov.scot>

Cc: [Redacted]>

Subject: URGENT Supplementary Question - S6O-02279

Importance: High

Hi all,

Ms McAllan would welcome a short note which sets out each of our JT Fund, the Energy Transition Fund and the Green Jobs Fund with the top, say 5, hits on what's been funded underneath.

It would be helpful to have this by 11am

## Many thanks

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