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Dear Andrew,

I am writing in response to WQ94433: *What assessment has the Cabinet Secretary made of Welsh Water having been ordered to pay a £24.1 million underperformance penalty by industry regulator Ofwat?*

Ofwat is the independent economic regulator of water companies and is responsible for setting realistic financial rewards and penalties according to performance, and for assessing their impact on the water company and its customers. I have made clear to Ofwat and Welsh Water that I expect the company to be set challenging targets for improvement and for it to be robustly regulated to drive this forward.

Yours sincerely,

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