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Dear Professor Skea

The **Dounreay Stakeholder Group** (DSG) is represented by over 20 organisations and therefore this response is one that is generally agreed by most organisations. Its' remit is to oversee and scrutinise the decommissioning of the nuclear site at Dounreay and as part of this remit the group also supports the socio economic activity of the area.

Through the good offices of our MSP, Maree Todd, DSG members along with CNSRP representatives and others met with the JT Minister and his team to discuss opportunities within the area that could be considered alongside the JT remit.

When we met with Richard Lochhead, JT Minister, he noted the three geographic areas that were identified as priority areas – North East, Western Isles and Caithness & Sutherland. Given our remit includes the 'post Dounreay' job losses, our area has a considerable number of people regularly commuting to Aberdeen (and beyond) to the oil and gas sector.

We have read with interest the funding allocated to a number of projects within the NE and Western Isles area and look forward to exploring the opportunities within Caithness & Sutherland.

We are aware that the independent chair of Caithness and North Sutherland Regeneration Partnership (CNSRP) wrote to you on 20 September 2022 inviting you to consider a proposal for our area and we are writing to support that proposal.

We would like to re-iterate the invite from the CNSRP Chair for you and your group to visit Caithness to discuss how JT can be demonstrated in the Caithness and N Sutherland area.

We look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours sincerely

**Cllr Struan Mackie**  
DSG Chair

cc. Maree Todd, MSP  
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