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To whom it may concern,

Moors for the Future Partnership is extremely happy to be helping UU deliver its ambition for a Green Recovery, particularly through our work together on Peaknaze and Pikenaze moors in the Longendale Valley. This will not only continue but greatly exceed work already achieved in this region to restore damaged SSSI peatland mire habitats for water quality and supply; for the unique (and critically threatened) mire species and habitats; to address and improve carbon storage; to mitigate the worst impacts of flooding and to maximise the opportunities from this landscape to provide sustainable employment and recreation.

We have developed the outline restoration plans and estimated costings for the sites mentioned based on the most up to date cost experience we have from across our programme of delivery. We have a high degree of confidence that these costings will be representative of those experienced should it be possible to progress these proposals into delivery. MFFP are equally confident that these proposals would be successful in delivery in terms of the anticipated outcomes and timescales involved. This is based on the Partnership's eighteen years of successfully delivering landscape scale peatland restoration in the Peak District, South Pennines, West Pennine Moors. The habitat restoration proposals we have identified as part of the United Utilities Green Recovery aspirations will employ a range of appropriate and site specific interventions (techniques/approaches) to address the specific site degradation of the habitats in these areas. Regionally, these proposals will dovetail with the wider Moors for the Future Partnership programme of ongoing peatland restoration across the working area of the Partnership, and through our continued collaboration will make a significant contribution to our ongoing efforts to secure the future resilience and health of the landscape.

Together we have considerable expertise to bring about a landscape scale change in the most degraded uplands in Europe with United Utilities. The Moors for the Future Partnership very much welcome the leadership, vision and ambition you are demonstrating in your plans for ensuring a Green Recovery, and we welcome the opportunity to continue our successful collaboration with United Utilities into the future.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of the letters "C.R." followed by a flourish.

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Head of Programme Delivery
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Contributing Partners: Peak District National Park Authority, Environment Agency, National Trust, Pennine Prospects, RSPB, Severn Trent Water, United Utilities, Yorkshire Water.