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The Rt Hon Greg Clark MP
Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy
Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy
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Dear Greg,

We are writing to seek your help on behalf of some of our poorest constituents.

You will be aware that 2.2 million vulnerable consumers are eligible for £140 off their energy bills through the Warm Home Discount. However, vulnerable customers with smaller suppliers tend not to get this vital rebate, as only suppliers with over 250,000 customers are legally required to offer it. The Energy Company Obligation, which provides energy saving measures for fuel poor households, has a similar exemption for smaller suppliers.

Given that 1 in 12 people are now with suppliers who do not fund these vital schemes, a number that has trebled in the past three years, we are writing to urge you to look again at these exemptions as you consider your response to the Warm Home Discount and Energy Company Obligation consultations.

Might you please consider the recommendation from Citizens Advice, which we fully endorse, for all vulnerable consumers to receive the same guaranteed support, irrespective of who happens to supply their energy?

We are sending a copy of this letter to the Prime Minister for her consideration, given the importance of this issue to her social justice agenda.

Best wishes and we look forward to hearing from you,

The Rt Hon Frank Field MP

Peter Aldous MP

Sir David Amess MP

Sir Peter Bottomley MP

Vernon Coaker MP

Jim Cunningham MP

Glyn Davies MP

The Rt Hon Caroline Flint MP

Ruth George MP

The Rt Hon Robert Halfon MP

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