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Dame Meg Hillier Chair, Public Accounts Committee House of Commons London SW1A 0AA

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Dear Chair,

BDUK Performance Report 2021-22

I am writing to inform you that Building Digital UK (BDUK) has now published its Performance Report for 2021-22.

In line with the commitments we have made previously to the Public Accounts Committee and the National Audit Office, this report contains the performance data for BDUK's achievements in 2021-22. This includes the progress we are making to deliver gigabit-capable broadband to premises across the UK, the number of premises passed, broken down by our different products and by region, the number of rural premises passed, and the number of sub-30 Mbps premises passed.

From next year, this information will form part of our Annual Report and Accounts, which will set out our performance against our Corporate Plan, and which will be laid before Parliament.

BDUK's Corporate Plan, published in April 2022, included our gigabit delivery trajectory against the government's target to ensure that 85% of UK premises have a gigabit capable connection by the end of 2025. I am pleased to report that we are on track. Up to the end of 2021-22, BDUK had passed 741,000 premises against a target of 720,000.

We will continue to publish quarterly updates on the progress of Project Gigabit; our Summer Update is scheduled to be published in August.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Norris

Chief Executive Officer

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