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Dear Dame Meg,

Publication of High Speed Two (HS2) Parliamentary Report

I am writing to inform you of the publication of the fifth written update to Parliament on the progress of HS2. This report, which covers data reported by HS2 Ltd to the end of August 2022, provides up-to-date information about its development and achievements over the last six months, as well as the risks and challenges facing the programme.

This continues the Government's ongoing commitment to regular reporting on HS2, keeping Parliamentarians abreast of the UK's largest infrastructure project. HS2 remains within budget and schedule and is crucially supporting over 29,000 jobs, which shows at this important time, how HS2 is already helping to grow the economy. The Report can be read in full at <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/high-speed-two-6-monthly-report-to-parliament-october-2022>.

Finally, we will be hosting a virtual briefing session for interested MPs to discuss the report and to answer any questions you may have about its contents. To register to attend please email at dft.ministers@dft.gov.uk.

Yours ever,

Mark Harper

**RT HON. MARK HARPER
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