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House of Commons

London

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Date:

Dear Your MP's Name

Re: The Green Deal Scheme

I am writing to express my deep concerns over the fairness for businesses involved in the Green Deal Scheme, due to begin towards the end of this year.

It is my understanding that one of the central facets of the proposed Green Deal is that homeowners must be given straightforward, impartial advice on the best measures that will benefit their home the most. The scheme will be fairly heavily policed and it will not be permitted to push some products onto the homeowner in favour of others that may be better suited and produce a better result in terms of payback and reduced energy consumption.

This is fine and correct. The problem arises when all measures within Green Deal are not given the same fair chance. It seems obvious to me that measures at 5% VAT will always fare better in an assessment over windows and doors which are still at 20% VAT. If an assessment is made purely comparing the payback on two Green Deal measures then they must both be rated at the same VAT otherwise it's not a fair comparison in my opinion. Indeed Mr Cameron himself, said recently, ..."What the government has to try and do is make sure the VAT rules are fairly applied," when defending the Government's stance on the so called "Pasty Tax".

Regardless of their inclusion in Green Deal, highly efficient windows & doors play a massive part in reducing UK homeowners' heating bills and energy consumption. The majority of our domestic fuel bills pay for 'heating space' in our homes. Anything we can do to combat this has to be a good thing.

I therefore think it is only right that our Government takes a look at this issue and re-assesses the VAT levels on windows & doors. A reduction to 5% VAT would bring them in line with other energy efficient products and would help to create more demand for our highly insulating – energy saving products and see that (in Mr Cameron's own words) "the VAT rules are fairly applied". This measure would not only assist the public and therefore the Government in reducing our carbon emissions, but would also help to boost business within our sector, thereby boosting local economies and also jobs. I really believe this is a win/win situation for all concerned.

I look forward to receiving your response to my concerns in this matter.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Yours sincerely,

Your Name

Your Position in the Business: