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Dear Mr Wilson,

GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FOR SIZEWELL C

Thank you for your most recent letters and emails dated 6, 7 and 17 January 2025 on behalf of TASC, in which you raise concerns about the public funds government is spending on Sizewell C before reaching a final investment decision, and the degree of transparency around these spending decisions. You also highlight recent media reports that indicate project costs of double the estimate included in the DCO application.

I continue to monitor government's progress with the project, including considering how best to assess its value for money. My plan remains to report after the government has made its final investment decision on supporting Sizewell C. This is because the decision whether to support the project is a matter of policy and so is outside the NAO's remit. It would also not be possible to conclude on the value for money of the government's support until the terms of its investment are finalised.

My intention is to publish a report as soon as is practicable after government reaches its final investment decision, which the Chancellor has announced will be made in spring 2025 during the government's Spending Review. My team has started holding discussions with the relevant government officials to better understand the project and enable timely reporting. I would expect part of this report's scope to be an assessment of how government has managed the potential risks to taxpayers when providing financial support prior to final investment decision.

Yours sincerely,

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