Written Question

Sarah Wollaston (Totnes Conservative)

To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of existing levels of taxation on biofuels.

Justine Greening (Economic Secretary, HM Treasury)

Under plans inherited from the previous Government, the 20ppl biofuel duty differential ended on 1 April 2010 for all biofuels (biodiesel and bioethanol) except those produced from used cooking oils, which is currently subject to a two-year temporary extension of the differential. Support for biofuels is provided by the renewable transport fuel obligation, which has a greater environmental focus. The Chancellor keeps all taxes under review.

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