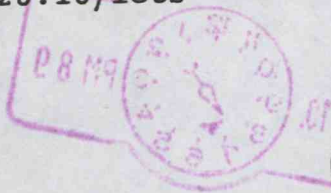


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The Rt Hon Christopher Patten MP
Secretary of State for the Environment
Department of the Environment
2 Marsham Street
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30 October 1989

Dear Chris

COMMUNITY CHARGE: PUBLICITY

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Thank you for your 20 October letter, which I understand follows discussion between officials, and which I referred to in my 23 October letter on the DOE (C) programme generally.

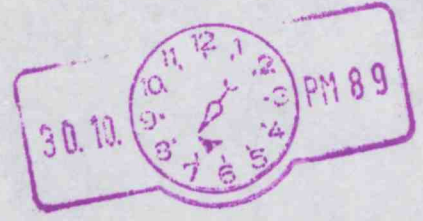
2 I am grateful to you for reconsidering your original bid. I am now able to accept your revised proposals involving expenditure of a little under £5 million, to cover publicity for the rest of 1989-90. While we must clearly take effective steps in particular to publicise rebates available under the new system, I do think it important to avoid the accusation that we are being over-lavish. I am sure you will have this in mind in deciding on the details of the publicity campaign.

3 I am copying this letter to the Prime Minister, Peter Walker, Malcolm Rifkind, Tony Newton, Norman Fowler and Sir Robin Butler.

Norman Lamont

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