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Dear Supply Chain Partners,

As one of the leading UK renewable energy companies, it is essential to us that we buy, build, and maintain our assets in a sustainable and responsible way.

SSE PLC has chosen **EcoVadis**, a global sustainability rating company based on international standards, to conduct individual sustainability performance assessments of our supply chain partners. I am personally asking you to register on the EcoVadis platform and take the sustainability assessment. Your assessment participation will be a key factor of our sourcing and supplier review processes, and so I strongly encourage you to actively participate in this assessment. If your parent or group organisation has already submitted an EcoVadis scorecard, kindly consider sharing it with us, as that would be satisfactory.

In my role as CPO at SSE PLC I am charged with ensuring that our trading partners share our commitment to sustainability and understand the urgency. The first step in our sustainability agenda is to gain transparency on our trading partners' and their suppliers' sustainability performance. You are receiving this letter today because the goods or services we purchase from you are directly linked to our 4 sustainability business goals which are to:

- Cut carbon intensity by 80%
- Increase renewable energy output fivefold
- Enable low-carbon generation and demand
- Champion a fair and just energy transition

By participating in the assessment, you will receive a sustainability scorecard from EcoVadis with detailed insights into your strengths along with areas of improvement. Our team will be notified when you register and when there are registration delays. After taking the assessment some of our trading partners will be invited to participate in a corrective action plan to help improve their sustainability capabilities. You can find more information about the EcoVadis program and the associated fees on the EcoVadis website.

Your participation in this process is critical to our supply chain sustainability management. I thank you in advance for your investment in time and in our relationship by completing this assessment and joining this strategic initiative for a more sustainable future.

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