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The Rt Hon Alok Sharma MP  
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Dear Alok,

Thank you for your letter consulting me on a 3-month extension to Stephen Gibson's term as interim Chair of the Regulatory Policy Committee (RPC) for an additional 3 months until 22 April 2021. I am content with this extension, noting the difficulties faced in launching a competition in the usual time frame due to the ongoing issues that COVID presents.

Yours sincerely,

**Peter Riddell**  
**Commissioner for Public Appointments**