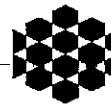


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Dear David

At the Enterprise, Trade and Investment Assembly Oral Questions session on 6th February you had asked me what percentage of the companies supported in East Londonderry over the last four years were foreign-owned. As I did not have the information readily to hand, I undertook to provide you with a written response.

Between 1st April 2007 and 31st March 2011, there were a total of 518 projects supported within the East Londonderry constituency. The majority of these projects, 482 in total, were from locally-owned companies. The remaining 36 offers were to businesses from outside Northern Ireland and this equates to 7% of all offers made.

I trust that this clarifies the matter for you and I have also asked for a copy of this letter to be sent to the Speaker's Office and that a copy will be placed in the Assembly Library.

Arlene Foster

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