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Dear Ms McLaughlin

Follow Up to Topical Questions on 24 September 2013

During Assembly Questions on 24 September you had asked me for information on the jobs promoted and created by Invest NI and I agreed to write to you with the relevant available information.

Between 1 April 2011 and 31 March 2013, Invest NI has promoted a total of 13,870 new jobs, the breakdown of which is:

- 3,423 resulting from Foreign Direct Investments
- 3,315 jobs in locally owned companies
- 2,072 as a result of new business starts
- 5,060 via the Jobs Fund

As I explained in the Assembly, Invest NI is not yet in a position to report on the jobs created across all its range of programmes, however, it can currently report on those created under the Jobs Fund which, up to 31 March 2013, has resulted in 2,699 new jobs already in place.

As previously noted, it is expected that Invest NI will be in a position to provide more comprehensive reporting on job creation from the end of the current financial year.

I trust that you find this information helpful and I have also asked for a copy to be placed in the Assembly Library for reference purposes.

Yours sincerely

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Minister of enterprise, trade and Investment