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RFI: 3300  
21 April 2010

Dear Mr Lister

## **REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**

Thank you for your request for copies of all correspondence between Defra and CLG regarding the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 since January 1st 2010 until the date of this request (April 19th 2010), which we received on 19 April 2010. We are dealing with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

As you have requested copies of all correspondence between the two Departments regarding the Environmental Information Regulations (EIRs) I regret that we will not be able to answer your request without further clarification. In order to help us identify and locate the information that you have requested could you please indicate which areas of (EIRs) that are of interest to you. It would be helpful if you could explain more precisely and fully the information that you are seeking.

Once you have provided this clarification, I will be able to begin to process your request. Under section 1(3) of the FOIA, a public authority need not comply with a request unless further information reasonably required to locate the information is supplied.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. I also attach an annex giving contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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## **Annex A**

### **Complaints**

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request you may make a complaint or appeal against our decision within 40 working days of the date of this letter. Please write to Clive Porro, Head of Defra's Information Rights Team at, Area1B Ergon House, Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AL, (email: [informationrights@defra.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:informationrights@defra.gsi.gov.uk)) who will arrange for an internal review of your case. Details of Defra's complaints procedure can be found at: <http://www.defra.gov.uk/corporate/policy/opengov/complain/info.htm>

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Please note that generally the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have first exhausted Defra's own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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