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Mr Alex Skene  
Email: request-6724-  
xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx

Dear Mr Skene,

Thank you for your request for the information listed below, which was received on 27 January 2009. Your request has been considered under the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) 2004.

1. A "data dump" of the information stored in the Non-Domestic Energy Performance Certificate Register's underlying database.
2. A list of all data fields and their definitions for this database
3. Any advice and assistance the Department can provide about accessing Display Energy Certificate data. If this data is readily available to be combined with (1) and (2) above.

I am writing to advise you that the time limit for responding to your request for information under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, needs to be extended.

The Regulations allow us 20 working days to respond to your request from the date of its receipt. However, it is occasionally necessary to extend the 20 working day time limit for issuing a response. In this case, I regret that we must extend the time limit for responding by 20 days because of the complexity and volume of the request. The Department does not have direct access to the data on the central Register, which is held by the Register Operator on behalf of the Department. The Register Operator will have to extract the data from the Register, design and write the query, extract the information and quality assure the results. The data will also have to be converted into a readable form. For this reason, the cost for providing this data is likely to exceed the £600 limit. I will let you have a more accurate figure in due course.

I hope to let you have a response by 25 March 2009, and will keep you informed of any further delay.

Communities and Local Government as an organisation aims to be as helpful as possible in the way it deals with requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004. If, however, you are not satisfied with the way in which your request has been handled or the outcome, you may request an internal review within two calendar months of the date of this letter. Information about the

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Department's review procedures and how to apply for an internal review of your case is contained in the enclosed leaflet. This also explains your right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision in the event that you remain dissatisfied following the authority's review

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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