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Mr. David Holland

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Dear Mr. Holland

**ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REGULATIONS 2004 – INFORMATION REQUEST (FOI\_11-010; EIR\_11-001)**

I acknowledge your request for information received on 12 January 2011. Please accept my apologies for the delay in acknowledging this request. This request has been initially considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and we have determined that we are not obliged to supply the information you have requested under that Act.

The exemption applied is section 39, exempting information that is 'environmental information' within the meaning of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

This exemption applies because 'environmental information' must be disclosed under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR). In short, we will consider your request and provide information under EIR, not FOIA, and you will receive the information requested within the statutory timescale of 20 working days as defined by the EIR, subject to the information not being excepted.

As explained in our letter of today's date acknowledging your appeal of our response in another matter (our file FOI\_10-112; EIR\_10-14), it is our belief that some of the questions you asked of us in that regard are best dealt with as a new request and we have combined them within this request. To re-iterate, we are dealing with questions 1-5 and 11-18 within this request.

If appropriate, the information may be provided in paper copy, normal font size. If you require alternative formats, e.g. language, audio, large print, etc. then please let me know.

For your information, the EIR define a number of exceptions which may prevent release of the information you have requested. There will be an assessment and if either an exemption or exception applies then the information will not be released. You will be informed if this is the case, including your rights of appeal.

If the information you request contains reference to a third party then they may be consulted prior to a decision being taken on whether or not to release the information to you. You will be informed if this is the case.

There may a fee payable for this information. This will be considered and you will be informed if a fee is payable. In this event the fee must be paid before the information is processed and released. The 20 working day time limit for responses is suspended until receipt of the payment.

If you have any queries or concerns then please contact me at:

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Please quote our reference given at the head of this letter in all correspondence.

Yours sincerely

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