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**Our Ref:** ERC/1724/YD / 2101/YD

**Your Ref:**

**Date:** 16 March 2012

Dear Mr Carroll

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**Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) /  
Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR)**

**Oldbury Chemical Company acid leak.**

Requests for information recorded are generally governed by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). The information you have requested is environmental and it is therefore exempted from the provisions of FOIA by FOIA s.39 (1). We have therefore considered your request under the provisions of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR).

Thank you for your email received 09 March 2012 querying why we do not still hold the information you requested as part of your Freedom of Information request received 24 January 2012 reference 1724/YD.

My apologies but we did not interpret the response received from our Pollution Prevention Control team correctly when we prepared your final response. The part of the response you questioned should have said 'Almost 10 years after the event we no longer have records for the weight and disposal of the contaminated soil'.

If you are not satisfied with our response to your request for information you can contact us to ask for our decision to be reviewed. If you are still not satisfied following this, you can then make an appeal to the Information Commissioner, who is the statutory regulator for Freedom of Information.

The address is:

Office of the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow,  
Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Tel: 01625 545700.

Fax: 01625 524 510.

E-mail: [xxxx@xxx.xxx.xxx.xx](mailto:xxxx@xxx.xxx.xxx.xx).

Website: <http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk>

Environment Agency, 9 Wellington Crescent, Sentinel House, Fradley Park, Lichfield, Staffs WS13 8RR

Customer services line: 03708 506 506

Email: [enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk)

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We would be really grateful if you could spare five minutes to help us improve our service. Please click on the link below and fill in our survey - we use every piece of feedback we receive.

<http://bit.ly/qexgTk>

Yours sincerely

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