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Our ref RFI 2742 Date: 23 June 2009

Dear Mr Addison

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: DETAILS OF PUBLIC AUTHORITIES THAT WOULD HOLD INFORMATION ON THE 1994 CONSULTATION ON THE WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981 AND WHO RECEIVED COPIES OF THE RESPONSES TO THE AMENDMENT.

Thank you for your request for information about details of any public authorities that would hold information on the consultation on the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1994. You also asked who would have received copies of the responses to the amendment which we received on 28 May 2009.

My colleague, Mr Ashton, responded to your original request on 20 May 2009 advising you that files relating to the consultation in 1994 are no longer available and, therefore, it is not possible to answer your question about which public authorities may hold information on the 1994 consultation. I confirm that Defra no longer holds the consultation responses or any records showing if they were sent to anyone. Therefore, Defra does not hold the information that you have requested.

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

Yours sincerely

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## Annexe 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 Area 1B, Ergon House, Horseferry Road, London, SW1P 2AL (email: <a href="mailto:informationrights@defra.gsi.gov.uk">informationrights@defra.gsi.gov.uk</a>), who will arrange for an internal review of your case. Details of Defra's complaints procedure can be found at: <a href="https://www.defra.gov.uk/corporate/complain/info.htm">www.defra.gov.uk/corporate/complain/info.htm</a>.

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