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Your ref:

Our ref: 202100225305

Date:

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Dear Derek McLachlan,

## REQUEST UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004 (EIRs)

Thank you for your request dated 22nd July 2021 under the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (EIRs).

Your request

You asked for:

With regards to 22/07/2021 I observed vapour trails/chemical trails in the sky over Glasgow area which seemed to last for an excessive time around 20-30 minutes and did not appear to be normal vapour trails which normally disappear after a very short time of 20-30 seconds. This was observed approximately 10.00 am-1030am. I would like to request information as to what was being sprayed into the atmosphere as it appears to be something which is not usual to see this happening is it part of some geo engineering process to alter the atmosphere or weather conditions?

## Response to your request

Condensation trails, or contrails, are formed in certain meteorological conditions when water vapour is emitted into the upper atmosphere as a result of the combustion of kerosene by jet aircraft. Contrails normally evaporate but occasionally, if the conditions are conducive, they may persist and spread out to form cirrus-like cloud. The concentration of aircraft into flight paths means that, when contrails persist, a number of lines can appear close together.

## Your right to request a review

If you are unhappy with this response to your EIR request, you may ask us to carry out an internal review of the response, by writing to Roy Brannen, Chief Executive, Transport Scotland, Buchanan House, 58 Port Dundas Road, Glasgow, G4 0HF or <a href="mailto:ceo@transport.gov.scot">ceo@transport.gov.scot</a>. Your review request should explain why you are dissatisfied with this response, and should be made within 40 working days from the date when you received this letter. We will complete the review and tell you the result, within 20 working days



from the date when we receive your review request.

If you are not satisfied with the result of the review, you then have the right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner. More detailed information on your appeal rights is available on the Commissioner's website at:

http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/YourRights/Unhappywiththeresponse/AppealingtoCommissioner.aspx.

Yours sincerely

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