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Dear Ms Mills,

Thank you for your email of 15 October where you requested the following information:

Please can I sight the correspondence between "the government" and BEIS before and after the Attitudes Tracker review relating to the content of the questions on shale gas and the future frequency of those, including whose decision it was to drop the questions in the July 2018 survey before the government's response had even been published?

Under section 1(3) of the Freedom of Information Act, a public authority which receives an FOI request need not comply with it unless any further information reasonably required to locate the information is supplied.

From our initial assessment, it is clear that we will not be able to answer your request without further clarification.

The Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS) requires further information in order to identify and locate the information you have requested. In particular, it would be helpful if you could clarify what you mean by "the government" and "BEIS". By "the government" do you mean civil servants or ministers from any government department and by "BEIS" do you mean civil servants or ministers from BEIS?

We will be able to begin to process your request once you have supplied us with the information required, but we are unable to do so until this clarification has been provided.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

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