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Dear Mr Kidd

Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your email of 1 August to Building Regulations Advisory Committee (BRAC) requesting information about compliance information the Department holds on the remedial damp proofing creams, which was received in the Department, on 1 August 2014.

Your request was for the following:

"Can BRAC please advise what compliance information you hold on the remedial damp proofing creams used in existing buildings to prevent rising damp and evidence that compliance with regulation 305/2011 has been provided by the manufacturer holding BBA Agrement Cert number 05/4251 which Certificate covers all products produced by Sovereign Chemical Industries.

Please can BRAC advise on compliance details held on Wykamol products BBA certificate number 02/3961 which also covers several disparate products.

Please provide copies of compliance information with Declaration of Performance and Fit for Purpose data and information."

Your request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I regret to have to advise you that I have established that the information you requested is not held by the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) or the Building Regulations Advisory Committee.

We do not hold the compliance information you seek as we are not involved in the activities of certification bodies such as BBA and the work they do to demonstrate the performance of products such as damp proofing creams.

We do not hold records of Declarations of Performance (or associated information) that manufacturers draw up under the EU Construction Products Regulation 305/2011. This is not necessary as the Regulation sets requirements for manufacturers to retain record copies. However, damp proof creams are not covered by a European Harmonised Standard and therefore Declaration of Performance certificates do not exist for such products.

As an organisation, the Department for Communities and Local Government aims to be as helpful as possible in the way it deals with requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004. If, however, you are not satisfied with the way in which your request has been handled or the outcome, you may request an internal review within two calendar months of the date of this letter by contacting foirequests@communities.gsi.gov.uk

In the event that you remain dissatisfied following the Department's review you have the right to apply directly to the <u>Information Commissioner</u> (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the Internal Review procedure provided by the Department.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications about this request.

Yours sincerely

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