

## NOTES FOR GUIDANCE

- 1 Production figures for rocksalt, chalk, diatomite, clay and shale, fireclay and granite have been combined into "others" to avoid disclosure of confidential information.
- 2 179 quarries were contacted. Of these 8 are no longer in production and 10 are inactive at present.
- 3 The people employed 'inside' and 'outside' the pit are directly involved with extraction. Lorry drivers and road teams etc are excluded. The number of management and administration staff cannot be broken down further.



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From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: 25 February 2015 09:19  
To: [REDACTED] (DETI)  
Subject: RE: Emailing: Annual minerals statement 2005

Thanks again :-)

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: 24 February 2015 16:06  
To: [REDACTED] (DETI)  
Subject: RE: Emailing: Annual minerals statement 2005

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: 24 February 2015 15:51  
To: [REDACTED] (DETI); [REDACTED]  
Subject: Emailing: Annual minerals statement 2005

[REDACTED]

Sorry could you merg the guidance notes on this statement too to pdf?

Many thanks

[REDACTED]

Your message is ready to be sent with the following file or link attachments:

Annual minerals statement 2005

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 13 May 2015 15:56  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] (DETI); [REDACTED] (DETI); [REDACTED] (DETI); POI (DETINI)  
**Subject:** RE: EIR 2015-29 James Orr : Proposed MAPB responses

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are out of the office until Tuesday and will look at and your comments and consider the way forward then.  
Regards  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 13 May 2015 14:06  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] (DETI); [REDACTED] (DETI); [REDACTED] (DETI); FOI (DETINI)  
**Subject:** FW: EIR 2015-29 James Orr : Proposed MAPB responses

[REDACTED]

Thank you. I've tracked some changes and added a few comments for your consideration but must stress that these are based on my very limited understanding of the issues involved.

The decision on whether or not to release the information held by the Department and which EIR exceptions/public interest test arguments apply rests with MAPB, although we are very happy to discuss and advise.

Thanks  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 12 May 2015 15:42  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** FOI (DETINI); [REDACTED] (DETI); [REDACTED] (DETI); [REDACTED] (DETI); [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: EIR 2015-29 James Orr : Proposed MAPB responses

[REDACTED]

After discussion with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] please see attached.  
Regards  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED] (DETI)  
**Sent:** 12 May 2015 15:27  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: EIR 2015-29 James Orr : Proposed MAPB responses

[REDACTED]

Thanks for sight of [REDACTED] queries below. My proposed responses are in red. May we please discuss before formally replying

- Advising if the Department published an Annual Mineral Statement for 2010
- YES. These Statements are available on DETI Online  
<http://www.deti.gov.uk/index/what-we-do/minerals-and-petroleum/annual-minerals-statements.htm>
- Confirming that all information required for 2011 is held but has not yet been collated & published

The Department (that is its Minerals and Petroleum Branch) has not yet collated for publication all information it holds on statistics on mineral production by NI Quarries (for calendar year 2011)

- Advising if the Department holds any information for 2012 onwards

The Department (that is its Minerals and Petroleum Branch) does not hold any information on statistics on mineral production by NI Quarries required to be provided by the Quarries (NI) Order 1983, Article 18(1).

Regards

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From: [REDACTED]  
 Sent: 12 May 2015 15:00  
 To: [REDACTED] (DETI)  
 Subject: FW: EIR 2015-29 James Orr

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From: [REDACTED]  
 Sent: 12 May 2015 14:03  
 To: [REDACTED]  
 Cc: [REDACTED]  
 Subject: FW: EIR 2015-29 James Orr

We've been having a look at this and would be grateful if you would keep us right by:

- Advising if the Department published an Annual Mineral Statement for 2010
- Confirming that all information required for 2011 is held but has not yet been collated & published
- Advising if the Department holds any information for 2012 onwards

Thanks

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From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]  
 Sent: 06 May 2015 15:36  
 Subject: FW: EIR 2015-29 James Orr

**Document 1:** Attached amended to provide hyperlinks to the relevant legislation cited (EIR).

**Document 2;** Please see **internal** MAPB document considering public interest arguments prepared by Martin which refers to regulation 12. This takes account of guidance provided by [REDACTED] (many thanks), we think this is sufficient? Or is it expected that to comply with ICO guidance that we let the applicant have a copy of this document?

You have stated *"More is needed for 12(4)(d) in terms of public interest test arguments."* If we are not/should not issue doc 2, please clarify grateful if you let us know what more needs to be done?

Thank you  
Regards  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 05 May 2015 09:00  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** EIR 2015-29 James Orr

[REDACTED]  
Please see tweaks to draft supplied by [REDACTED]

See lift from proposed draft response. More is needed for 12(4)(d) in terms of public interest test arguments.

**Does DETI hold this information since 2010 and has not published it? If so we request the information it holds from operators?**

The Department holds statistical returns on mineral production from Northern Ireland quarries relating to calendar year 2011. These returns have not yet been collated for publication. Accordingly we are unable to provide the information requested. It has been withheld under EIR 2004, regulation 12 (Exemptions to the duty to disclose environmental information), [specifically regulation 12(1)(a), and (4)(d)]

The following link will be of assistance:

[https://ico.org.uk/media/for-organisations/documents/1637/eir\\_material\\_in\\_the\\_course\\_of\\_completion.pdf](https://ico.org.uk/media/for-organisations/documents/1637/eir_material_in_the_course_of_completion.pdf)

Regards  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED] (DETI)  
**Sent:** 29 April 2015 16:38  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** FOI (DETI); [REDACTED] (DETI); [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** EIR REQUEST: FOE (JAMES ORR): Extension to deadline

Hi All

**EIR REQUEST: FOE (JAMES ORR): Extension to deadline**  
**REFERENCE NO 2015 -0029: DETI TRIM Container DT05/112/170**

Request dated 20 March 2015: Response Deadline 21<sup>st</sup> April.



Please see attached draft response for comment (revised on 29 April 2015). In my absence reply to [REDACTED]

Regards

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED] (DETI)  
**Sent:** 13 May 2014 14:12  
**To:** [REDACTED] (DETI)  
**Cc:**  
**Subject:** RE: DETINI Annual Minerals Surveys - request from HMT in Great Britain

[REDACTED]

I can offer the following. The figures from each operator are (supposed to be) the selling price at the gate (ie before transport costs). Therefore the figures on the return form represent the value of the commodity in the locality of the operation.

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**From:** [REDACTED] (DETI)  
**Sent:** 13 May 2014 12:08  
**To:** [REDACTED] (DETI)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] (DETI); [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: DETINI Annual Minerals Surveys - request from HMT in Great Britain

[REDACTED]

**FW: DETINI Annual Minerals Surveys - request from HMT in Great Britain**  
**MAPB deadline for internal response: Tuesday 20 May 2014 1600 hrs please,**

I spoke briefly today to you and [REDACTED] about this request from HMT. Please see for background the e-mail trail below.

Request

I would be grateful to all copy recipients in GSNI and NISRA if they would look at the HMT requests and let me or you have advice and/or response by requested deadline above.

Apologies to all in GSNI and NISRA that I was not able to 'phone you today to let you know of this request.

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**From:** [REDACTED] (DETI)  
**Sent:** 13 May 2014 11:57  
**To:** [REDACTED] - HMT  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: DETINI Annual Minerals Surveys

Hi [REDACTED]

Thank you for your 8<sup>th</sup> May 2014 e-mail. Where I am not at work – I normally work only on Tuesdays and Wednesdays - you might wish to speak with my colleague in MAPB [REDACTED] in my absence. His extension is [REDACTED] at the address below.

I intend to discuss your request for information with colleagues here in Colby House ( (1) DETI Minerals And Petroleum Branch (MAPB) and (2) Geological Survey of Northern Ireland (GSNI) and also with colleagues in DFP namely the Northern Ireland Statistics And Research Agency (NISRA)

Your central questions that we will address are -

(1) Clarification

Please clarify exactly what the figures in the Annual Minerals Tables represent?: for MAPB and GSNI consideration

(2) Information

Is anyone aware of similar statistics for quantities and values of Processed aggregate products, namely concrete and asphalt?:

For NISRA consideration and advice to MAPB please.

I hope we can respond to your requests for clarification and information next week.

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e-mail: [REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED] HMT [mailto:[REDACTED]]  
**Sent:** 08 May 2014 18:01  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: DETINI Annual Minerals Surveys

Hi all,

I was wondering whether someone could clarify exactly what the figures in the annual tables represent. Do they show the amount of material produced in any given county, or do they represent the amount sold for use in any given county. For example, would basalt sold from an Antrim quarry but used in Co Down be recorded as basalt in Co Antrim or Co Down. I suspect I know the answer but just want to be 100%.

I was also wondering whether anyone was aware of similar statistics for the quantities and values of processed aggregate products, namely concrete and asphalt?

Thanks in advance

[REDACTED]  

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**From:** [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]  
**Sent:** 15 April 2014 14:29  
**To:** [REDACTED] - HMT  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] (DETI); Gordon Best; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: DETINI Annual Minerals Surveys

Hi [REDACTED]

Just so you are aware, I had spoken to [REDACTED] in DETI about this. I understand how you may not have come across the report on the website. The information is there however the web page layout may have caused some confusion. You will notice at this link <http://www.detini.gov.uk/deti-energy-index/minerals-and-petroleum/annual-mineral-statement.htm> that annual mineral statements are only available for 2007 and 2008 however if you follow