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Dear Mr Mantle,

Thank you for your email of 14 August 2016 where you requested the following information:

Please can you tell me how much money has your Department has invested in renewable energies for itself since 01/01/10. Please can you also state how much money it is estimated is saved because of the use of renewable energy, and what specifically it has bought.

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act'), you have the right to:

- know whether we hold the information you require
- be provided with that information (subject to any exemptions under the Act which may apply).

On 14 July 2016 the Prime Minister ordered the creation of The Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS). BEIS has been created from the former Department of Energy and Climate Change (former-DECC) and elements of the former Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (former-BIS). At this early stage in our formation we do not yet have joint operating standards in all areas of our work, although there is commonality. This response is, therefore, a joint response covering the position of your request for former-DECC and former-BIS.

Former-BIS have not invested in any renewable energy sources since 01 January 2010. However, the department has reduced its carbon footprint by 37% compared to 2009/10.

Former-DECC have not invested in any renewable energy sources since 01 January 2010. However, the department has reduced its carbon footprint by 35% compared to 2009/10, saving over £100,000 per annum in energy costs.

Appeals procedure

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original request and should be addressed to the Information Rights Unit:

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

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,

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