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Dear Mr Mauritzon

Freedom of Information Act – Request for Information
Our Reference: FOI 0202 IR of FOI 0441

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FOI) request which was received on 27 February 2013. In that request, you asked:

“I refer to my previous request for various Guidelines for the Disability Analyst. The response is now out of time, you should have responded promptly and by the latest 26 February 2013..”

Please be assured that your request has been given our full consideration and that all aspects of your review were taken fully into account. The review was conducted by an independent official of the Department, of the relevant grade and authority to carry out such requests.

Your request FOI 0441 was received by the Department on 29 January 2013.

The Freedom of Information Act allows 20 working days from date of receipt of the request in which to respond. DWP endeavour to answer promptly and no later than the 20 day deadline, unless the deadline is extended to consider if an exemption applies.

The 20 working day deadline for the request was 26 February 2013 and it is noted that the response was issued to you via the What Do They Know website on 13 March 2013. In this instance, the Department failed to respond within the 20 working days and DWP apologise for the delay and for not reflecting this in our response.

In reviewing your request the FOI Internal Reviewing Officer upholds your complaint as the Department failed to respond to your request within 20 days.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,

DWP Central Fol Team

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF www.ico.gov.uk