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Dear Mr Dawson,

Request for Information under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000

Further to my acknowledgement letter dated 7 March 2012, I am writing to provide you with an update on your FOI request in which you ask the following:

It is over ten years since the last independent periodic review of the MOD's radioactive waste management practices by RWMAC.

Could you provide me with the following information:-

a: could you please tell me why there has not been a review of MOD's radioactive waste management practices by CoWRM RWMAC's successor or any other body since 2000; and

b: if it is MOD's intention to commission a review of the MOD's radioactive waste management practices.

c: if this is the case when is it intended such a review will take place.

We are still working to identify any information that falls within the scope of your request and I apologise that we have been unable to respond to your request in the 20 days as set out in the FOI Act. I will send you a final response or an update as soon as possible but no later than 22 April 2012.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Head of Corporate Information, 2nd Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail ~~xxx~~). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of

Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

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