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Dear Ms Humphrey,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 769, 694

I am writing to advise you that the time-limit for responding to your request for information requesting '*a copy of Highways England's Invitation to Tender document for the NRTS2 commission*' which we received on 9 April 2019 needs to be extended.

In the case of your request, I must extend the time limit by approximately 20 working days because the information requested must be considered under one of the exemptions to which the public interest test applies. This extra time is needed in order to make a determination as to the public interest.

The specific exemption which applies in relation to your request is S.43(2) Commercial Interests and we consider these to apply because the information you have requested '*would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person.*' In this instance the suppliers.

I hope to let you have a response by 10 June 2019.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote reference number 769, 694 in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way we have handled your request you may ask for an internal review within 2 months of the date of this response for Freedom of Information requests and within 40 days for Environmental Information Regulations requests.

Our internal review process is available at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/highways-england/about/complaints-procedure>

If you require a print copy, please phone the Information Line on 0300 123 5000; or e-mail info@highwaysengland.co.uk. You should contact me if you wish to complain.

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
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Yours sincerely

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