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Dear Mr Underwood

Request for Information

Thank you for your recent requests for information regarding Power Line Technology ('PLT') which Ofcom received on 26 April 2011 and has considered under the Environmental information Regulations 2004.

I have answered your questions below.

1. Please release copies of all information created, modified or accessed after January 1st 2010 related to the Administrative Co-operation group of the EMC Directive.

This information you have requested is being withheld as it would fall under the exception in section 12(4)(b) of the EIR.

This exception states that Ofcom is not required to provide the information where the request for information is manifestly unreasonable.

This is because there is a large amount of data involved and it would take a considerable amount of time to review each individual document and to then redact all personal and commercially confidential information.

2. Please release copies of all information created, modified or accessed after August 1st 2010 concerning the financial impact of the withdrawal from the market of PLT/PLA devices.

We do not hold this information.

- 3. Please release copies of all information created, modified or accessed after August 1st 2010 that concerns reports made to the European Commission about interference from PLT/PLA devices.**

We do not hold this information.

I have however provided a copy of a presentation made to ADCO EMC (attended by a representative of the EU Commission) in March 2011 on PLT.

- 4. Please release copies of all information created, modified or accessed after August 1st 2010 that concerns the radio noise floor and the use of PLT/PLA devices**

We do not hold this information

- 5. Please release copies of all information created, modified or accessed after August 1st 2010 that concerns meetings between Ofcom and any non Ofcom bodies and makes reference to PLT/PLA devices.**

We have published as much information as possible that relates to PLT; however there is some information that is being withheld whilst we seek consent from the relevant third parties due to potentially commercially sensitive matters. We will update the website with as much of this information as is possible as soon as we can and will also place all future information online if possible.

Please see our statement and supporting information on PLT matters on the Ofcom website here: <http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/enforcement/spectrum-enforcement/plt/>.

- 6. Please release copies of all information created, modified or accessed after August 1st 2010 that makes any reference to the CENELEC committee preparing a PLT/PLA specification.**

Ofcom have not made any representations to 'the CENELEC committee preparing a PLT/PLA specification'. However, we did write to the UK Committee who participates in the CENELEC Working Group looking at PLT Standards. Please see link above.

- 7. Please release copies of all Freedom of Information (FOI) requests subsequent to August 1st 2010 that make reference to PLT and PLA devices.**

We are in the process of publishing all our responses to FOI and EIR requests from January 2011. Once you had read all the information and documents and the FOI and EIR requests since January 2011, should you require further information please email me at information.requests@ofcom.org.uk.

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Yours sincerely

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The following outcomes are possible:

- the original decision is upheld; or
- the original decision is reversed or modified.

Timing

If you wish to exercise your right to an internal review **you should contact us within two months of the date of this letter**.

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