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Date
4 August 2023

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100 Wood Street,
London, EC2V 7ER

Classification:
Public

Dear Tim McCormack,

Freedom of Information Request – FOI2023/00404

We are writing in response to your email received by Post Office Limited (“**Post Office**”) on 9 July, which has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“**FOIA**”).

In your email you have requested the information shown in bold below:

“According to the Annual Report and Accounts for the year 2021/2022 published on your website the board and other required signatories, signed the contents of the report on August 17th 2022.

Pursuant to section 77 of the Postal Services Act 2000 Post Office Ltd is required by that Act to provide a copy of the Annual Report and Accounts as soon as practicable after the report was made to the Secretary of State.

Please provide me with the date Post Office Ltd provided the Secretary of State with the report.”

We can confirm that Post Office sent the signed 2021/2022 Annual Reports & Accounts (“**ARA**”) to the then Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (“**BEIS**”) on 30 November 2022, 25 January 2023 and 14 February 2023 (Large Print Version). The ARA was published on the Post Office website on 1 March 2023.

In order to determine when the Secretary of State themselves were provided with the ARA, you will need to contact the Department for Business and Trade.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of this response, you do have a right to request an internal review. You can do this by writing to the address above within 40 working days of receipt of this response stating your reasons for your internal review request or alternatively, by emailing information.rights@postoffice.co.uk.

If, having requested an internal review by Post Office, you are still not satisfied with our response you also have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113
<https://ico.org.uk>

Yours sincerely,

Information Rights Team
information.rights@postoffice.co.uk
<https://corporate.postoffice.co.uk/en/governance/access-to-information/access-to-information/>

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