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By email

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Dear Mr May

Re: - Radon measurements in Rossington Colliery

Thank you for your email dated 03 April 2019. Your request for information has been handled under the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR).

You asked:

Please can you supply as a Freedom of Information or Environmental Information request, details of any Radon measurements taken in or at Rossington Colliery near Doncaster. This follows an unsuccessful request to the Coal Authority, who state they do not hold such information. I was informed by an ex-NCB occupational health practitioner that such measurements were taken some years ago.

Please can you also supply any information that would enable a reasonable comparison of the levels to be made between Rossington and other collieries, e.g a report summary or such like.

The result of the radon test is kept confidential between the person requesting the test and PHE - we give an undertaking when we offer a test to the occupier, owner or employer to only share information on their radon results by agreement. Therefore, in line with data protection principles this information is not disclosable.

The summary results from a large survey of mines in 1991 was given in the report NRPB-R263 - see the discussion on p20 and tables 32 and 33. The report in pdf format is attached.

If you have any queries regarding the information that has been supplied to you, please refer your query to me in writing in the first instance. If you remain dissatisfied and would like to request an internal review, then please contact us at the address above or by emailing foi@phe.gov.uk

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Yours sincerely,

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