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Your reference:

Our reference: NIW 1920121

Date: 1 August 2019

Dear Mr Hughes,

Environmental Information Regulations 2004

Thank you for your email of 10 July 2019, in which you requested information relating to NI Water's policies and procedures in respect of "easements" and "rights of ways".

As your query falls under the definition of an environmental request, NI Water is replying under the disclosure provisions of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 ("the EIR").

NI Water replies to your queries as follows.

1. *What details are recorded by NI Water in respect of easements or rights of way utilised to access NI Water facilities?*

NI Water hold copies of documents that record the easements and rights of way utilised to access NI Water facilities.

2. What system is utilised to retain such information as relating to point 1?

Any information in relation to access to NI Water facilities is recorded manually through a paper file based records management system rather than a digital, line-of-business application.

3. Please identify the length of time that NI Water has recorded such information as relating to point 1.

NI Water has recorded this information since it took responsibility for the water and sewerage infrastructure in Northern Ireland on 01 April 2007.

4. Please identify the length of time such systems have existed as relating to point 2?

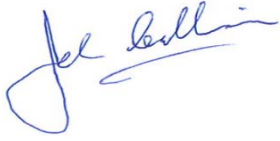
The above answer also refers.

You have the right to request that NI Water formally review this response within forty working days of the date of this letter. If you wish to do so, please write to NI Water Information Management Unit, IT Suite, Westland House, 40 Old Westland Road, Belfast, BT14 6TE.

If, after such an internal review, you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, CHESHIRE, SK9 5AF, who will undertake an independent review.

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'John Collins', with a stylized flourish at the end.

John Collins

Head of Corporate Information

Northern Ireland Water