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FOI/0138/2015 response

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**From:** Lloyd, Neelia

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**To:** Knox, Malcolm

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Malcolm,

Peter has also left me with some queries re 2 o/s pieces of correspondence:

- (a) In relation to [REDACTED] letter, please can you speak with Alphy to get his views on the highlighted sections of the above letter re previous attempts at mediation.
- (b) What is the Department's responsibilities in relation to mediation/intervention? See attached correspondence from [REDACTED] to DFP (third attachment), where he refers to Procurement Guidance Note 02/10 and that *"Shouldn't be too difficult for Julie Thompson as Assistant Secretary at DHSSPS to work that Departmental intervention is required to progress this matter"*. I have scanned and do not see what he is referring to. Could you could review thoroughly to see what he is getting at and whether there is any other guidance on Departmental responsibilities in relation to intervention/mediation.
- (c) Please see attached e-mail from Greg Chammings of Dept for BIS - would be good to clarify what the interpretation/application of the legislation actually is - is DLS's interpretation and approach correct? Or is Greg's interpretation correct that interest is due on any overdue invoice, irrespective of whether other invoices were paid on time.

Grateful if you could please progress these queries after the Board paper. Happy to discuss any of the queries with you.

Many thanks  
Neelia