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Dear [REDACTED]

**Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act 2000
Reference Number: DHSSPS/2013-0023**

I am writing to confirm that the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety has now completed its search for the information which you requested in your email of 28th February 2013, seeking copies of:

"any/all file note(s), contemporaneous file notes, internal memos, emails & or letters made/sent in the period from 20 March 2012 to 7 July 2012 between the Department and HSC BSO Directorate of Legal Services where the subject matter was in any way connected with Julie Thompson's (Senior Finance & Personnel Director DHSSPSNI) ongoing exchanges with [REDACTED] /Late Payment of Commercial Debts Legislation/Late Payment Claims etc."

I wish to advise you that some of the information can not be disclosed for the reasons given in the records schedule attached to this letter. Records to be disclosed are attached to my email, and are also listed in the same schedule.

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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

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Date and List of Relevant Records for DISCLOSURE.		
<p>1. DH1/13/88236 E-mail chain ending 29/03/2012, subject "FW: [REDACTED] correspondence"</p> <p>2. DH1/12/153627 E-mail from Neelia Lloyd to Malcolm Knox 11/04/2012, subject "Prompt payment correspondence".</p> <p>3. DH1/12/158461 E-mail from Malcolm Knox to Alphy Magennis 13/04/2012, subject "Letter from [REDACTED]".</p> <p>4. DH1/13/88210 E-mail chain ending 16/05/2012, subject "FW: Letter from [REDACTED]"</p>		
Date and List of Relevant Records to be WITHHELD and Details of Exemptions applied.		
<p>1. DH1/12/127644 E-mail from Malcolm Knox to Neelia Lloyd 19/04/2012, subject "Prompt payment correspondence" – contains a summary of a telephone conversation between Alphy Magennis and Malcolm Knox. Exempt under section 42, Legal Professional Privilege.</p>		

