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Dear Mr Youriev,

Thank you for your email of 9th March 2021 where you requested the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am requesting documents that contain the following information:

1) Please provide submissions to the BEIS consultation on Improving the energy performance of privately rented homes conducted between September 2020 and January 2021 from the 16 companies (or their parent companies and/or subsidiaries) listed below if available;

- *Barratt / Barratt Development*
- *Persimmon / Persimmon Homes*
- *Taylor Wimpey*
- *Bellway*
- *Redrow*
- *Countryside Properties*
- *Galliford Try*
- *Vistry Group (formerly Bovis Homes/Bovis)*
- *Berkeley Group*
- *Crest Nicholson*
- *Miller Homes*
- *Bloor Homes*
- *Keepmoat Homes*
- *Kingspan Group*
- *Knauf Insulation*
- *Rockwool*

2) Please provide submissions to the BEIS consultation on Improving the energy performance of privately rented homes conducted between September 2020 and January 2021 from the 8 organisations listed below if available;

- *Home Builders Federation*
- *National Federation of Builders*
- *Federation of Master Builders*
- *British Property Federation*
- *Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors*
- *Country Land and Business Association (formerly Country Landowners' Association)*
- *Insulation Manufacturers Association*
- *Confederation of Business Industry*

We have considered your request in accordance with the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 ('the EIRs') as the information you request falls within the definition of 'environmental information' in the EIRs.

BEIS response

The department can confirm that BEIS received responses to the consultation on improving the energy performance of privately rented homes in England and Wales (<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/improving-the-energy-performance-of-privately-rented-homes>) from the following 7 organisations:

- Federation of Master Builders (FMB)
- Kingspan
- Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS)
- British Property Federation (BPF)
- Country Land and Business Association (CLA)
- Insulation Manufacturers Association (IMA)
- Rockwool

Results were retrieved via a search of the organisation name, as provided, in the consultation inbox and on digital platform Citizenspace searching by organisation. All respondents have been contacted and agreed to their consultation being fully disclosed, as attached.

Some information has been redacted as it constitutes personal information and is being withheld under Regulation 13 of the EIRs.

Regulation 13 Personal information

Some information constitutes personal data and has been withheld. Regulation 13(1) of the EIRs provides an absolute exemption for personal data which then falls to be dealt with under the Data Protection Act (DPA) 2018. Personal data of third parties can only be disclosed in accordance with the data protection principles. In particular, the first data protection principle requires that disclosure must be lawful, fair and transparent and must comply with one of the conditions at Article 6(1) the UK General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) .We do not think that it is lawful, fair and transparent to release the names of third parties and do not think that any of the relevant conditions apply.

Appeals Procedure

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original request and should be addressed to the Information Rights & Records Unit. It would be helpful if you can tell us why you are dissatisfied with the response to your request so we may address this during the internal review.

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Yours sincerely,

Domestic private rented sector team

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