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Reply by email

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Dear Mr Davies

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: UK RADIATION LEVELS

Thank you for your request for information about UK radiation levels, which we received on 24 August 2011. We handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

The information that you have requested is available from the Health Protection Agency (HPA) website. The (HPA) published a response to events at the Fukushima nuclear power plant on their website at: [HPA Response](#). They also publish regular statements on UK radiation levels associated with the events: [HPA Statements on Japan](#)

The Centre for Environment, Fisheries & Aquaculture Science (Cefas) also publish reports on radioactivity in food and the environment each year on their website: [Cefas RIFE Surveys](#)

As the information is publicly available from the above source, we are exempt from providing a copy under section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act. I attach an annex giving contact details should you be unhappy with the service that you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me.

Yours sincerely



JENNIFER LONG

Customer Contact Unit

Annex A

Complaints

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request you may make a complaint or appeal against our decision within 40 working days of the date of this letter. Please write to Brendan Walsh, Head of Defra's Information Rights Team at Area1B, Ergon House, Horseferry Road, London, SW1P 2AL, (email: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxx.xxx.xxx) and he will arrange for an internal review of your case. Details of Defra's complaints procedure are on our [website](#).

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Please note that generally the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have first exhausted Defra's own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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