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Dear Steve

Re: Request for information under Environmental Information Regulations 2004

Thank you for your request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, which was received on 1 February 2011.

1. **Could you please provide a list of names and contact details for the Health Authority Officers that are responsible for managing the repair and maintenance of water-mains and sewers on/within all your Health Authority properties/premises.**
2. **Does the Health Authority have a contractor(s) in place to deliver your statutory duties with respect to the following activities:**
 - a. **Mitigating water loss from mains on/within all Health Authority properties/premises, including hospitals, offices, depots etc. (The Water Authorities undergo leakage detection exercises and have powers to insist leaks are repaired without delay);**
 - b. **Preventing pollution of groundwater from poorly maintained and leaking sewers on Health Authority land (recent laws place the burden for any pollution event upon the polluter – polluter pays);**
 - c. **Maintaining appropriate levels of water quality within private mains networks at Health Authority owned premises, such as hospitals, office premises etc. (legislation places various obligations on network owners for maintaining the quality of water on their premises and to get the appropriate approvals before upgrading/maintenance works are carried out).**
3. **Can you please provide the name and address of the contractor(s) currently undertaking the works activities listed in point 2 above?**

4. Can you please confirm the nature of the contract that you have with these contractors and when the contract(s) is/are due to be renewed?

I can confirm that we are currently identifying if we hold this information and if so, we will reply to you within 20 working days of the date your request was received.

If there is anything on which you need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the team on 01392 205205.

Yours sincerely

The Freedom of Information Team
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