



Via email: XXXXXX

Thameslink FOI Request 7854

I am writing to confirm that the Department for Transport has now completed its search for the information which you requested.

I attach the letter which Bombardier sent to Philip Hammond on 16 May 2011 about the employment levels at their Derby plant.

Two of the paragraphs in the letter have been redacted in reliance on the exemption under section 43(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the "Act") under which information is exempt if its disclosure would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person.

This exemption applies because disclosure of this information would prejudice the commercial interests of Bombardier Transportation UK Ltd.

In applying the exemption under section 43(2) we have had to balance the public interest in withholding the relevant information against the public interest in disclosure. The attached annex A to this letter sets out the exemption in full and details why the public interest test favours withholding the information.

If you are unhappy with the way the Department has handled your request or with the decisions made in relation to your request you may complain within two calendar months of the date of this letter by writing to the Department's Information Rights Unit at:

Zone D/04
Ashdown House
Sedlescombe Road North
Hastings
East Sussex TN37 7GA
E-mail: FOI-Advice-Team-DFT@dft.gsi.gov.uk

Please see attached details of DfT's complaints procedure and your right to complain to the Information Commissioner.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact XXXXXXXXX. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Regards

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Your right to complain to DfT and the Information Commissioner

You have the right to complain within two calendar months of the date of this letter about the way in which your request for information was handled and/or about the decision not to disclose all or part of the information requested. In addition a complaint can be made that DfT has not complied with its FOI publication scheme.

Your complaint will be acknowledged and you will be advised of a target date by which to expect a response. Initially your complaint will be reconsidered by the official who dealt with your request for information. If, after careful consideration, that official decides that his/her decision was correct, your complaint will automatically be referred to a senior independent official who will conduct a further review. You will be advised of the outcome of your complaint and if a decision is taken to disclose information originally withheld this will be done as soon as possible.

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. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF