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Via Email:

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Dear XXXXXXXXXXXX,

Freedom of Information Request F0009175

Thank you for your information request of 17 August 2012. You requested the following information:

1. *'Details of which land and /or facilities (including but not limited to operational sites, factories, stations, depots and storage facilities, silos, nuclear and other emergency bunkers, airfields, aircraft hangers, training areas and test facilities, both in the United Kingdom and elsewhere) that are owned by the DfT or otherwise form part of the Crown's estate (or are similarly owned by other government departments and agencies that the DfT is responsible for) and which are:*

- a. Abandoned***
- b. Derelict***
- c. otherwise not in use; or***
- d. are not being used for their primary purpose***

For each piece of land/facility, please provide full address

2. *Of those pieces of land/facilities listed in response to item 1:*

- a. which are currently being actively marketed for sale? and***
- b. which of those not currently being actively marketed, will offers be considered for?***

3. *Of those pieces of land/facilities listed in response to item 1, which are planned to be sold in the next five years?'*

The Department for Transport was formed in 2002 and consists of a central department and seven executive agencies as follows:

Highways Agency
Driver & Vehicle Licensing Agency
Driving Standards Agency
Maritime & Coastguard Agency
Vehicle & Operator Services Agency

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Property Division
Department for Transport
Great Minster House
Zone 3/31
33 Horseferry Road
London SW1P 4DR

Direct Line: 020 7944XXX
GTN No: 3533 XXX

E-Mail: XXX@dft.gsi.gov.uk

Web Site: www.dft.gov.uk

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Vehicle Certification Agency
Government Car & Despatch Agency

This response covers both the central department and our seven executive agencies

The Department for Transport has no derelict or abandoned sites.

In terms of the rest of your request, under section 21 of the Act (the full text of the exemption is attached at Annex A), we are not required to provide information which is already reasonably accessible to you. As part of the Government's Transparency Agenda we publish information about our properties on the data.gov.uk website. The information you requested is available from the following link:

<http://data.gov.uk/dataset/epims>

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/01
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 me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

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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 re-considered 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

Annex A

21 Information accessible to applicant by other means.

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)—

(a) Information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment, and

(b) Information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate (otherwise than by making the information available for inspection) to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment.

(3) For the purposes of subsection (1), information which is held by a public authority and does not fall within subsection (2)(b) is not to be regarded as reasonably accessible to the applicant merely because the information is available from the public authority itself on request, unless the information is made available in accordance with the authority's publication scheme and any payment required is specified in, or determined in accordance with, the scheme.