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By email to: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Dear XXXXXX

Application under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000 – F0007761

I am writing regarding your request for information, received on 13 June 2011. In that request, you asked us for:

Would it be possible to provide the information you have already provided broken down by transaction (including information such as vendor), I understand this may be treated as a fresh request.

This request is based on further information from FOI F0007430, which you asked

- 1. Full details of all spending on Government Procurement Cards over £500, broken down by financial years 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 to date.*
- 2. Please break this information down by category or type of spending, if this is not possible then please continue to provide information broken down by transaction.*
- 3. Full details of instances where Government Procurement Cards have been improperly used. This should include details of employees that have been forced to re-pay an amount either as a result of disciplinary procedures or voluntarily. Please provide full details of the transaction and the disciplinary procedure where applicable. Please note, I do not require the names of staff, or any other information that may make staff identifiable*

DfT consists of a central HQ organisation (DfT(c)) and seven Executive Agencies as follows:

Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA)
Driving Standards Agency (DSA)
Government Car and Despatch Agency (GCDA)
Highways Agency (HA)
Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA)
Vehicle Certification Agency (VCA)
Vehicle and Operator Services Agency (VOSA)

This response covers the whole Department.

Firstly, apology for not getting back to you sooner on your request.

We are unable to provide a breakdown for 2008-09 and 2009-10 across the whole of the Department and its Executive Agencies as we do not hold this data.

For DfT(c) only, GPC statements covering the period June 2010 to May 2011 were released on 27th October 2011 in response to an FOI request. A copy of the response can be seen at: <http://www.dft.gov.uk/foi/dft-f0007740>

If you would like to receive a copy of the redacted statements, please provide an appropriate postal address allowing me to send you a copy of the CD referred to in the letter.

As part of the Government's Transparency Agenda, information on GPC transactions above £500 will be published regularly in future. For information on the period April to Aug 2011 see <http://data.gov.uk/dataset/dft-gpc-spend>. As the Transparency Agenda develops it is possible that additional information relating to GPC transactions will be published, so you may want to check on the website from time to time.

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

Yours sincerely,

XXXXXXXXX - by e-mail
Direct Line: XXXXXXXXXXXXX
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GTN No: XXXXXXXXXXX
e-mail: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
www.dft.gov.uk/
www.dft.gov.uk/about/procurement

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