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Web Site: www.dft.gov.uk

Our Ref: F0008833

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## Dear xxxx,

Thank you for your information request of 20 April 2010. You requested the following information:

A schedule or schedules listing all of the following information:

- (i) All reports, publications, documents and information (whether held in electronic or hard copy form or otherwise) published and / or presented publicly (whether in electronic or hard copy form or otherwise) by the Secretary of State for Transport, the Department for Transport ("**DfT**"), High Speed Two (HS2) Limited ("**HS2 Ltd**") and / or any person employed and / or instructed by any of them and / or acting on any of their behalves during the course of work on the HS2 Project (between 14 January 2009 when HS2 Ltd was set up and the date of this letter);
- (ii) The title and other identifying marks of the reports, publications, documents and information;
- (iii) Who produced them;
- (iv) Their dates of publication or presentation publicly;
- (v) Details of the publication or presentation format (eg; HS2 Ltd, DfT or HS2 Project consultation websites etc.);
- (vi) Notice given at the time of publication (eg; email alert, press release, flag on website etc.); and
- (vii) Where applicable the dates at which each report, publication, document or information was superseded or cancelled or considered obsolete and details of what it was replaced by (if applicable).

Your request has been considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

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

There are three websites used by the Department and HS2 Ltd to publish information about the HS2 project. They are:

- 1. <a href="http://www.dft.gov.uk/">http://www.dft.gov.uk/</a>
- 2. http://www.hs2.org.uk/
- 3. http://highspeedrail.dft.gov.uk/

In respect of website 1 above I attach a spreadsheet 'dft-hs2-all-content.xls' containing a list of all pages relating to the HS2 project currently live on <a href="http://www.dft.gov.uk/">http://www.dft.gov.uk/</a> (generated on 8 May 2012), and a list of all pages relating to the HS2 project that were on <a href="http://www.dft.gov.uk/">http://www.dft.gov.uk/</a> at 20 April 2010 (prior to the change of Government), which have now been archived.

This spreadsheet contains the information you have requested at parts (i), (ii), (iv) and (v) of your request, insofar as it is available.

For part (iii) of your request, the author of each piece of information is clearly stated within that information, or, where it is not, the author is the Department for Transport.

For part (vi) of your request, the Department does not hold a record of this information. However the details of press releases, speeches and statements issued by the current Government are included in the spreadsheet.

For part (vii) of your request, the Department does not hold a record of this information. From time to time new information may be published which is an update to or replaces previously published information, but any information we have previously published remains available and forms an important record of the development of Government policy, whether the current or previous Government.

In respect of websites 2 and 3 above, these websites are maintained by HS2 Ltd and a schedule of their contents is not held by the Department. For the purposes of information requests, HS2 Ltd (the company set up by Government to develop the HS2 scheme) is considered as a separate public authority. You can make requests of HS2 Ltd by emailing HS2enquiries@hs2.gsi.gov.uk.

In keeping with the spirit and effect of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, all information is assumed to be releasable to the public unless exempt. The Department will, therefore, be simultaneously releasing to the public the information you requested, together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context.

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 faithfully,

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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