

by email to:

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Dear xxxx

## **Freedom of Information Request**

I refer to your request for information below. Your request was received on 10 July 2011 and I have dealt with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

- a) The amount of money paid to Freud Communications in each of the last three financial years;
- b) Details of any contracts or invoices or payments with or to Freud Communications since May 12, 2010 including the cost to the Department and nature of the work or services provided.

I can confirm that the Department for Transport has not paid any money to, or entered into any contracts with Freud Communications within the last three financial years. This applies to the central Department and DfT's seven Executive Agencies (Highways Agency, Driving and Vehicle Licensing Agency, Vehicle and Operator Services Agency, Driving Standards Agency, Maritime and Coastguard Agency, Vehicle Certification Agency and the Government Car and Despatch Service).

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.

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