

1 May 2012

**Re: Freedom of Information request – 12/0539**

Thank you for your correspondence of 30 March 2012. You have requested the following information:

- The numbers of staff employed by DECC on secondment from any company involved in, or connected to, any aspect of the nuclear industry.
- The numbers of staff employed by DECC on secondment from any company involved in, or connected to, any aspect of the fossil industry.
- The numbers of staff employed by DECC as interns supplied by any company involved in, or connected to, any aspect of the nuclear industry.
- The numbers of staff employed by DECC as interns supplied from any company involved in, or connected to, any aspect of the fossil industry.
- In all cases, we would request that the figures are also provided as a percentage of DECC's total staff numbers.
- If possible we would request that the requested information be provided in electronic format.

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act'), in which you have the right to:

- know whether we hold the information you have requested and;
- be provided with that information (subject to any exemptions under the Act which may apply).

**Staff in post**

DECC currently has:

Two secondees connected with the fossil fuel industry, approximately 0.1% of DECC's total staffing.

DECC has no secondees supplied by any company involved in, or connected to, any aspect of the nuclear industry

DECC has no interns supplied by any company involved in, or connected to, any aspect of the nuclear industry

DECC has one intern connected with the fossil fuel industry, the organisation is not involved in any direct fossil industry operations but they are involved in subsurface analysis, recording and consultancy, approximately 0.06% of DECC's total staffing.

If you are unhappy with the result of your request for information, you may request an internal review within two calendar months of the date of this email. If you wish to request an internal review, please contact us.

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

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 Commissioners Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance.