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Dear

RE: Breakdown of FITs Installations by their Connection Standard

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 12 June 2012 as set out below.

Your requests, received 12 June from

"I would like to access the following information under a Freedom of Information request.

Using the Central Feed-in Tariff Regsiter I can see statistics on the number of installations that connect to the National Grid under the 'feed in tariff' scheme.

I would like to know the breakdown of these installations by their connection standard. Whether it be G83, G59 or other. Connection applications and approvals are made to, and by, the Distribution Network Operators (DNO's). This information must then be reported centrally to a government organisation. I would like this information reported with a monthly breakdown from January 2010 to the present."

We have considered your request in accordance with the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIRs) as the information you sought disclosure of, does in our view, fall within the definition of 'environmental information' as stated in EIRs. We have now completed searching for the information you requested.

The information requested is not held by the Department. Information on Feed-in Tariffs (FITs) accredited installations are held within the Central FITs Register which is owned by Ofgem who administers the scheme. Details on how to make a Freedom of Information request to Ofgem can be found at the following link:

http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/transparency/FOIAW/Pages/foiaw.aspx.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the DECC Information Rights Unit (foi@decc.gsi.gov.uk)

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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.

Yours sincerely,

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