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Dear NAME REDACTED,

Thank you for your emails of 28 January 2013 where you requested the following information:

1. (13/0141) *The full hospitality and gift register entries for all personnel working at the Office for Nuclear Development, including, for each entry, the name and job title of the person, the company/organisation giving the hospitality/gift, a description of the hospitality/gift, and an estimate of the value of the hospitality/gift received from 1 January 2010 to the present day.*
2. (13/0142) *The full hospitality and gift register entries for all personnel working for the Managing Radioactive Waste Safely Programme, including, for each entry, the name and job title of the person, the company/organisation giving the hospitality/gift, a description of the hospitality/gift, and an estimate of the value of the hospitality/gift received from 1 January 2010 to the present day.*
3. (13/0143) *The full hospitality and gift register entries for all personnel working on nuclear energy issues at senior civil servant level or above, including, for each entry, the name and job title of the person, the company/organisation giving the hospitality/gift, a description of the hospitality/gift, and an estimate of the value of the hospitality/gift received. I would like to limit my request from 1 January 2010 to the present day.*

We are replying to your requests under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. We have consolidated your requests into one overall response and interpreted the timeframe of your request as 1 January 2010 to 28 January 2013. We have also interpreted your third request, under ref 13/0143, to refer to all Senior Civil Servants within the Office for Nuclear Development.

Annex 1 shows the hospitality and gift register for all personnel working within the Office for Nuclear Development, who are not Senior Civil Servants or staff who work on the Managing Radioactive Waste Safely Programme, from 1 January 2010 to 28 January 2013. Those who work on the Managing Radioactive Waste Safely Programme can be found at Annex 2 and

members of the Senior Civil Service within the Office for Nuclear Development can be found at Annex 3. Please note that Peter McDonald did not become a Senior Civil Servant until 1 June 2012.

The annexes do have some blanks within the tables. This information has not been provided because at the time DECC received your request this information was not recorded on the hospitality register. Annex 3 also contains some information which was released under a previous Freedom of Information request. However we have provided this information again including the specific information you requested such as job titles and value of hospitality received. For your information the reference of this previous request is 12/1519 and details can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/office-for-nuclear-development-hospitality-foi-request-12-1519>.

Some personal information has been redacted under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as it constitutes personal data. Section 40(2) provides an absolute exemption for personal data which then falls to be dealt with under the Data Protection Act (DPA). Personal Data of third parties can only be disclosed in accordance with the data protection principles. The first data protection principle requires that disclosure must be fair and lawful and must comply with one of the conditions in Schedule 2 of the DPA. We do not consider that it is fair and reasonable to release the names of those who are not members of the Senior Civil Service, or their job titles where this would lead to the specific individual being identified, and we do not think that any of the relevant conditions in Schedule 2 of the DPA apply. The names of Senior Civil Servants have been published.

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 letter. If you wish to request an internal review, please contact:

Security and Information Rights Team (DECC Shared Service)
Department for Business, Innovation & Skills
Victoria 3, 5th Floor
1 Victoria Street
London SW1H 0ET

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

Yours sincerely,

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