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Your ref:

Our ref: **FOI2014/22665**

5 November 2014

Thank you for your email dated 10th October requesting the following information:

'How many press leak inquiries has your department carried out between 1 January 2004 and today's date (10 October 2014)?

Please list each case, the date it was started, the reason it was started, whether the source/s of the leak was found and whether and in what way they were disciplined.

Please also state in each case whether a police force was involved – i.e. did it help with the inquiry – and if so, which force and what were they required to do?

Please also say whether your department or the police force used the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act as part of the inquiry, specifying whether it was the police or the department that was able to use it.

If so, was this used to obtain phone records? If so, how many phone records were obtained?

Please specify whether any of the phone records obtained were those of a journalist, journalists or a news organisation. If you are able to tell me the name of the journalist or news organisation, please do.'

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act'), you have the right to:

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



Department
of Energy &
Climate Change

As the Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) was only created in October 2008, we can only provide an answer in this timeframe.

We can confirm that the Department holds the information you have requested.

Since the creation of DECC, the Department has not carried out any press leak inquiries.

Appeals Procedure

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 sent to the Information Rights Unit at:

Information Rights Unit
Department for Business, Innovation & Skills
1 Victoria Street
London
SW1H 0ET
E-mail: foi.requests@bis.gsi.gov.uk

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 Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely,

Departmental Security Unit