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Our Ref. Fol Request 12/0145

Dear

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your email request of January 31, 2012 for the following information:

The number (and brief details of the purpose of) all ministerial visits, during 2011, to (i) Greater Manchester, (ii) Continental Europe, and (iii) The United States of America. This should be broken down by minister.

In reply to your question (i) please see details of trips by former Secretary of State Chris Huhne and other ministers to the Northwest during 2011.

Chris Huhne, former Secretary of State

Date of Visit	Place	Purpose
March 2011	Manchester	Speech at the <i>UK Renewable Offshore Wind Conference</i>

Charles Hendry, Minister of State for Energy and Climate Change

Date of Visit	Place	Purpose
March 2011	North West	Regional visit – launch of the Lancaster Energy Institute, Nuclear Skills dinner
August 2011	North West	Regional visit – Granada Material Handling, Cammel Laird, Bentley Motors

Greg Barker, Minister of State for Energy and Climate Change

Date of Visit	Place	Purpose
January 2011	Salford University	Energy Efficiency roundtable discussions
October 2011	Greater	Energy Efficiency discussions with

	Manchester	Stakeholders, Ordsall estate, Salford.
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Lord Marland, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State

Date of Visit	Place	Purpose
Nil	Nil	Nil

In relation to your questions (ii) and (iii), all details of ministerial visits overseas are published on a quarterly basis on the department's website at <http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/accesstoinform/registers/registers.aspx>

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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,