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Dear

## RE: Request for information about wind turbines in National Parks and Areas of Outstanding National Beauty (AONBs)

Thank you for your letter of 27 June in which you made the following request for information, which I will repeat here for clarity:

Details of any wind turbines in England -

- 1. Within National Parks
- 2. Within AONBs

under the categories for both -

- a) Already constructed
- b) In the course of construction
- c) Permission granted but not yet started

I am pleased to inform you that the information that you request is already in the public domain, and will explain how you can access it

The location of all wind projects over 100kW in rated output are available through DECC's RESTATs web pages at <a href="https://restats.decc.gov.uk/cms/planning-database-reports/">https://restats.decc.gov.uk/cms/planning-database-reports/</a>

First select *Planning Database Extract* and then *CSV*. Selecting "Wind Onshore" in the field labelled "General Technology" will display a table which shows on a site by site basis the location, whether or not the project lies within a National Park or AONB, planning submission dates, determined dates, appeal dates and operational dates.

This data is also represented in map form at the link below, and can be filtered by country, and by stage of development; including application submitted, consented but awaiting construction, under construction and operational. http://restats.decc.gov.uk/app/pub/map/map/

DECC does not hold a list of any smaller wind turbines which are being used on isolated properties, businesses, boats or caravans.

I hope that you find this helpful.

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: **Information Rights Unit** (foi@decc.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,

**DECC Information Rights Unit**