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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 24/06/2013 where you requested the following information:

- 1 - The name of each capital project being undertaken by the Department and which of these are a) major and b) not major.*
- 2 - The budget of each capital project being undertaken by the Department.*
- 3 - The traffic light status of each capital project being undertaken by the Department.*
- 4 - The amount the Department has spent to date on each such capital project.*
- 5 - The period in years and months each overdue project being undertaken by the Department has exceeded the original planned delivery timetable.*

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).

A copy of the information which can be disclosed, is enclosed at Annex A.

You asked for information on major and minor capital projects being undertaken by the Department. We have included all of our Government Major Programmes Portfolio (GMPP) projects and programmes, although a number of them are not projects to procure capital assets. We have also included the Department's two non-GMPP capital projects, which are to procure capital assets.



Some of the information is already in the public domain and is therefore exempt under Section 21 of the Act as we are not required to provide information which is already reasonably accessible to you. The information you requested is available on the following website:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-major-projects-portfolio-data-for-decc-2013>

The remainder of the information that you requested is exempt under section 43 of the Act and is therefore withheld. Section 43 exempts information from disclosure if it could, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person.

This information falls under the terms of section 43, as the projects that it relates to are in the process of commercial negotiations.

We recognise that there is a general public interest in the disclosure of information as greater transparency makes Government more accountable. Against this there is a public interest in ensuring that ongoing commercial negotiations being conducted by the Department are not adversely affected by the disclosure of information that is not common knowledge, as it could reduce the value for money achieved by the Department.

We consider that the balance of public interest lies in withholding the information, as the benefits derived from releasing it are outweighed by the costs that could be incurred by releasing it.

## 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 (DECC Shared Service)  
Department for Business, Innovation & Skills  
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E-mail: [foi@decc.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:foi@decc.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,



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DECC Capital Projects <sup>i, ii</sup>					
Project name <sup>iii</sup> (major projects in bold)	Project Description	RAG rating (Using Major Projects Authority Delivery Confidence rating definitions)	Whole Life Cost Budget (£m) (Including Government and non-Government spend, agreed budget only)	Spend to end of 2012/13 (£m) <sup>iv</sup>	Slippage (Years and months that project key delivery date is overdue from current baseline)
<b>Carbon Capture and Storage Commercialisation Programme (GMPP)</b>	Data Exempted (under section 21) – see published GMPP dataset at: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-major-projects-portfolio-data-for-decc-2013">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-major-projects-portfolio-data-for-decc-2013</a>			68.6	Nil
<b>Green Deal (GMPP)</b>				75.83	Nil
<b>New Nuclear Programme (GMPP)</b>				19	Nil
<b>Renewable Heat Incentive (GMPP)</b>				43	Nil
<b>Plutonium Management (GMPP)</b>				25 <sup>v</sup>	Nil
<b>Dounreay Parent Body Organisation (PBO) - Delivery Phase (GMPP)</b>				154.7	Nil
<b>Magnox&amp;RSRL PBO Competition (GMPP)</b>				Nil	Nil
<b>Geological Disposal Facility Programme (GDF) (GMPP)</b>				106.5 <sup>vi</sup>	Nil
<b>Electricity Market Reform (GMPP)</b>				16.24	Nil
<b>Smart Meters Implementation Programme (GMPP)</b>				48.76 <sup>vii</sup>	Nil
<b>FID Enabling (GMPP)</b>				11	2 months
ITECC				The ITECC Project aims to replace the ELGAR contract which currently supplies ICT services for DECC	Data Exempted (under section 43)
RIMNET	The purpose of the RIMNET Renewal Project (the Project) is to ensure the continuity of the existing Radiological Incident Monitoring Network service (RIMNET).	Data Exempted (under section 43)		Nil	Nil

<sup>i</sup> All data current as of September 2012 baseline for Major Projects transparency publications

<sup>ii</sup> Table includes all capital projects above £1m. For expenditure on smaller projects, please refer to the monthly published datasets showing departmental spend over £500 – <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-energy-climate-change/series/departmental-spend-over-500>

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<sup>iii</sup> (GMPP) indicates that a programme/project is part of the Government's Major Projects Portfolio

<sup>iv</sup> Aggregation of pre-2012/13 spend and forecast 2012/13 spend from Q2 2012/13 GMPP returns

<sup>v</sup> NDA spend

<sup>vi</sup> Combination of DECC and NDA spend. NDA's approximate share is over 95% of the total.

<sup>vii</sup> Spend to end of 2012-13 (£48.76m) includes Ofgem expenditure incurred pre-FY 2011/12 when they managed the programme.