



ASSURING THE SAFETY, QUALITY & EFFICACY
OF VETERINARY MEDICINES

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ATI 313

Request

From: [Redacted under section 40 of the FOIA]

Sent: 9 September 2014

Subject: FOI Request

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to obtain information about the amount your organisation pays to the Confederation of British Industry and its subsidiaries.

Please provide the amount paid to the CBI (and its regional subsidiaries)

- (a) in membership fees
- (b) fees for one off conferences or other events and
- (c) fees paid to the CBI for any other services.

Please make clear if the response includes payments from any Non-Departmental Public Bodies, Executive Agencies etc which fall under the department and please provide a breakdown of what payments came from which agency/body.

Please provide this information for the period 2009-2014 set out by calendar or financial year.

If you are unable to provide all of this information within the time/cost limit please work up to the limit focusing on membership fees.”

VMD Reply

Sent: 1 October 2014

To: [Redacted under section 40 of the FOIA]

Subject: FOI Request

Your Request

Thank you for your email dated 9 September 2014.

We are dealing with it under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked for a breakdown of the payments made by the Veterinary Medicines Directorate (VMD) to the Confederation of British Industry and its subsidiaries. In particular:

- (a) in membership fees
- (b) fees for one off conferences or other events and
- (c) fees paid to the CBI for any other services.

You asked us to:

- make clear if the response includes payments from any Non-Departmental Public Bodies, Executive Agencies etc which fall under the department and please provide a breakdown of what payments came from which agency/body.
- provide this information for the period 2009-2014 set out by calendar or financial year and
- if we are unable to provide all of this information within the time/cost limit please work up to the limit focusing on membership fees."

Our Reply

The VMD is a small Executive Agency of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra). Its aim is to protect public health, animal health and the environment and promote animal welfare by assuring the safety, quality and efficacy of veterinary medicines. It makes no payment to the Confederation of British Industry and its subsidiaries.

Our Service

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint, you may request an internal review within two calendar months of the date of this e-mail. If you would like to request an internal review please write to [Redacted under section 40 of the FOIA] at the VMD via ati@vmd.defra.gsi.gov.uk. 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

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