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RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your email of 18th February 2015 requesting information on payments to suppliers.

You specifically asked:-

1. Whether the Department monitors suppliers' compliance with contractual requirements to pay their contractors within 30 days and if "yes", what percentage of undisputed paper invoices do our suppliers pay to contractors in 5 days and 30 days?;
2. What percentage of undisputed invoices did the Department pay within 5 working days in the last financial year and;
3. What percentage of paper invoices has the Department paid in 5 working days in the last financial year when measured from the invoice date.

No, the Department does not monitor its suppliers' compliance with contractual requirements as it has no direct relationship with its suppliers contractors.

Information on payments of undisputed invoices is published each month on the government website at Gov.Uk here -

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-energy-climate-change/about/procurement#prompt-payments>

The Department does not hold any information to make a distinction between paper and electronically received invoices. The percentage of invoices paid within 5 working days is measured upon receipt of a properly completed and therefore valid invoice from the supplier.

Appeal 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 addressed to the department. 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.