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Dear

RE: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your email of 24 July 2015 in which you requested the following information:

We would like to request a list of all personnel from external organisations who have been seconded to work at the Department of Energy and Climate Change since June 2013. Please provide:

1. Full name
2. Job title
3. Department they worked in
4. Organisation or body seconded from
5. Description of their area of responsibility
6. Salary
7. Dates of secondment

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act') you have the right to:

- know whether we hold the information you have requested; and
- be provided with that information (subject to any exemptions under the Act which may apply).

I can confirm that the Department of Energy & Climate Change (DECC) holds the information that you have requested:

3. Department they worked in
4. Organisation or body seconded from
7. Dates of secondments

Much of the information that you are requesting has been disclosed in previous Freedom of Information responses which are available on our website. These are:

- [FOI 15/02666](#)
- [FOI 15/04656](#)

Therefore some of the information you have requested is already in the public domain and is exempt under Section 21 of the Act, as we are not required to provide information which is already reasonably accessible to you.

Data from March 2015 to the present is included at Annex A below.

Some information constitutes personal data and has been withheld. This refers to parts 1 (Full name) and 6 (salary). Section 40 of the Act provides an absolute exemption for personal data which then falls to be dealt with under the Data Protection Act. Personal data of third parties can only be disclosed in accordance with the data protection principles. In particular, the first data protection principle requires that disclosure must be fair and lawful and must comply with one of the conditions in Schedule 2 of the Data Protection Act. We do not think that it is fair to release the names of junior members of staff or their salaries and do not think that any of the relevant conditions apply.

I confirm that the information for parts 2 (job titles) and 5 (description of their area of responsibility) is not held centrally by the department.

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
Department for Business, Innovation & Skills
1 Victoria Street
London
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E-mail: foi.requests@bis.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,

DECC Management Information

Annex A**People on Secondment into DECC since March 2015**

Organisation From	DECC Directorate	DECC Group	Secondment Start Date	Secondment End Date
Shell UK	Oil and Gas Authority	Oil and Gas Authority Agency	01-Mar-2015	01-Oct-2015
Centre for Environmental Policy	Science and Innovation	Science and Innovation	01-Mar-2015	31-Dec-2015
Intergen	Security of Electricity Supply	Markets & Infrastructure	16-Mar-2015	25-Feb-2016
Nuclear Graduates	Strategy and Radiocative Waste	International, Science and Resilience	13-Jul-2015	29-Jan-2016
Energus	Nuclear Security	International, Science and Resilience	13-Jul-2015	13-Mar-2016