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Dear

Thank you for your email of 15 August 2016 requesting the following information:

*"Please can you tell me how much money has your Department has invested in renewable energies for itself since 01/01/10. Please can you also state how much money it is estimated is saved because of the use of renewable energy, and what specifically it has bought."*

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD) and I can confirm that some information, in scope of your request is held.

Prior to 2012 Defence funds for infrastructure projects were divided between the area now known as the Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) (previously Defence Estates) and other Top Level Budget Holders (TLBs) which include the British Army, Royal Navy and Royal Air Force. Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) spent approximately £1.5m on renewable energy since 2010 with an annual saving of approximately £180k since 2012. Other site specific, small scale initiatives may have been directly installed by the other TLBs, which DIO does not hold the information for, in respect of the other TLBs it would be best to approach them directly.

Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to know that the Department does not hold information to confirm exactly how much money has been saved by using renewable energy prior to 2012.

The Ministry of Defence may hold information to respond to the final point in your question, surrounding 'what specifically it has brought', however, we require you to clarify what you mean in order to respond correctly, for example do you mean what the MOD has brought with the savings from renewable energy, or what renewable energy items the MOD has spent £1.5m on. Once you have clarified this the MOD may be able to provide you with information.

Yours sincerely,

DIO Secretariat

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Zone N, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail [CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk](mailto:CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk)). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

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