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Dear [REDACTED]

Re: Environmental Information Regulations – Information Request

Thank you for your request for information dated 18 October 2015 which has been dealt with under Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) 2004.

To answer your questions:

- 1. Has the RPA now enforced a cross-compliance penalty on Stody Estate?**
Yes.
- 2. If so, what, exactly, was the penalty for?**
The penalty that has been applied was for a breach of farmer requirement A1, of the pre-2015 Statutory Management Requirement 1 (Wild birds).

The requirement reads “You must not intentionally kill, injure or take any wild bird”
- 3. If a penalty has been enforced, how much is the total amount of the penalty?**
The financial amount has yet to be confirmed, however the penalty is 75% of the Single Payment Scheme payments made to the Estate in 2014.
- 4. If a penalty has not yet been enforced, please explain why?**
Not applicable.

If you are not happy with the way we have handled your request, you can ask for an internal review. These requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Access to Information, Rural Payments Agency, North Gate House, 21-23 Valpy Street, Reading, RG1 1AF.

If you have any queries about this let us know.

Yours sincerely

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