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Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your email dated 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2019 requesting the following information:

*Please answer the following questions under the Freedom of Information Act/Environmental Information Regulations.*

*Over the last 3 years how many Radon Gas Tests have been carried out in Abbeywood CFB and Neighbourhood 1.*

*If any, please state date, position, and result of test, quoting against acceptable limit.*

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

I can confirm that there have been no Radon Gas tests conducted on the Abbey Wood (South) site over the past three years. The last test was conducted over the winter of 2013/14 in line with the five-year cycle advised by our Radiation Protection Advisor, the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory (Dstl). I would like to stress that the site remains compliant with the Ionising Radiation Regulations 1999 (IRR99) and JSP 392 (Management of Radiation Protection in Defence).

Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance), you might be interested to know that the next testing regime is currently scheduled to take place over winter 2019/20.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

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