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Dear

## PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information on approved incineration facilities which we received on 31 July 2018. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

'I would be grateful if you would provide me with the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

A list of sites/facilities approved for the incineration of animal by-products and which are registered (as per form ABPR02 - *Application form for approval to incinerate animal by-products*) as incinerating any of the below species of bird. Please include the details of each site/facility, including location, along with the species incinerated recorded against each site/facility.

## Species -

- Pheasants
- Red-legged Partridge
- Grey Partridge
- Red Grouse
- Black Grouse '

The list of approved facilities for the incineration of animal by-products can be found at the following link:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/animal-by-product-operating-plants-approved-premises

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The Excel version under tab (section iii) shows incinerators and this can be filtered to isolate the information you require. To help in categorising the types of plant shown we have added an overview of what each plant type is approved to incinerate.

#### Overview

- 1. Incineration plants are approved to destroy waste, including Animal By-Products (ABPs). Incineration at an approved incineration plant is one of the methods of disposal of ABPs permitted by the ABP Regulations.
- 2. Co-Incinerators are plants whose main purpose is the generation of energy or production of material products e.g. cement. These plants use waste as a regular or additional fuel, or in which waste is thermally treated for the purpose of disposal.
- 3. Combustion plants are approved to use poultry manure or animal fat as fuel for combustion.

The type and classification of the category of waste can be found at this link;

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/animal-by-product-categories-site-approval-hygiene-and-disposal#abp-categories-explained

As this information is reasonably accessible to you by other means, it is exempt from disclosure under section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act.

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I attach an Annex which explains the copyright that applies to the information being released to you and contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the Access to Information Team at the email address below or postal address at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

## **ACCESS TO INFORMATION TEAM**

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#### Annex

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