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Dear

## Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence of 20 August 2021 in which you requested the following information:

'I am aware that you regularly have two Royal Fleet Auxiliary ships berthed at Portland Port Dorset, which are berthed on a long term basis and I believe I am right in thinking that these ships are onshore power capable.

Please could you tell me whether your RYA ships are able to connect to the available onshore power at Portland Port, or whether you have to use onboard auxiliary engines whilst at berth to provide your crew with the power they need whilst at berth at Portland Port Dorset.'

Your enquiry has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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

In response to your request, I should advise you that the Royal Fleet Auxiliary (RFA) have no ships currently berthed on a long-term basis at Portland Port Dorset. RFA ships that do berth there use their own power supply as there is no permanent shore power capability at Portland Port for RFA ships.

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

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Yours sincerely

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