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Ms Jenny Shepherd (By e-mail only)

Our ref: RFI

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Dear Ms Shepherd

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: CONTACTS WITH MEDIA HOUSE REGARDING WALSHAW MOOR ESTATE

Thank you for your request for information about lobbying by Media House regarding the Walshaw Moor Estate, which we received on 17 September. We have handled your request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIRs).

I apologise for the length of time it has taken to reply.

Following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information that you have requested is not held by Defra

Under our duty to advise and assist applicants in pursuance of regulation 9, I can confirm that to the best of our knowledge the information is not held by another public authority either.

I attach an annex giving contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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Annex A

Complaints

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request you may make a complaint or appeal against our decision within 40 working days of the date of this letter. Please write to Mike Kaye, Head of Information Standards, Area 1B, Ergon House, Horseferry Road, London, SW1P 2AL (email: requestforinfo@defra.gsi.gov.uk) and he will arrange for an internal review of your case. Details of Defra's complaints procedure are on our website.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Please note that generally the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have first exhausted Defra's own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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