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Dear Mrs Metcalfe,

Thank you for your email of 17<sup>th</sup> September where you requested the following information:

- 1. How many studies have been funded or co-funded by DECC (or previously by the DTI) into the affect of wind turbines on radar?*
- 2. May I please have copies of any such studies?*
- 3. Have they produced any solutions?*
- 4. How much have they cost?*
- 5. How many of the solutions are now incorporated into radar at airports thereby allowing the safe operation with wind turbines nearby?*

I can confirm that the Department holds information falling within the terms of your request, however we need more time to consider your request.

The Freedom of Information Act ('the Act') obliges us to respond to requests promptly and in any case not later than 20 working days after receiving your request. However, when a 'qualified' exemption applies to the information and an accompanying public interest test is engaged, section 10(3) of the Act allows the time for response to be extended, in which case a full response must be provided within such time as is reasonable in all circumstances. The exemption which applies to the information that you have requested is Section 43 (Commercial interests).

The Department has not yet reached a decision on the balance of the public interest. Due to the need to consider, in all the circumstances of the case,

where the balance of the public interest lies in relation to the information that you have requested, the Department will not be able to respond to your request in full within 20 working days.

I hope to let you have a response by 12<sup>th</sup> November 2015.

### **Appeals Procedure**

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be sent to the Information Rights Unit at:

Information Rights Unit (DECC shared service)  
Department for Business, Innovation & Skills  
1 Victoria Street  
London  
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E-mail: [foi@decc.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:foi@decc.gsi.gov.uk)

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

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. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely,

Clean Electricity Directorate