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01/04/2021

Dear

ATISN 14955 – DISCUSSIONS WITH BARRY BIOMASS DEVELOPER/OPERATOR/OTHERS ON THEIR BEHALF

Thank you for confirming your full name. The requirement for a full name to be provided is a requirement of the Freedom of Information Act rather than the General Data Protection Regulation.

It is a requirement under Section 8(1) of the Freedom of Information Act, which states:

- 8 Request for information..
 - (1) In this Act any reference to a "request for information" is a reference to such a request which—
 - (a) is in writing,
 - (b) states the name of the applicant and an address for correspondence, and
 - (c) describes the information requested.

In addition the guidance from the Information Commissioner states:

• For a request to be valid, the requester must provide enough of their real name to give anyone reading the request a reasonable indication of their identity.

The Information Commissioner has made it very clear that the name must be the real name of the individual submitting the request (see https://ico.org.uk/your-data-matters/official-information/)

Information requested

Your request, which I received on 1 March 2021 was for:

 A record of the Welsh Government officials who took part in meetings and workshops, since April 2019, with Biomass No.2 UK Ltd regarding compliance with permissions and permits under town and country planning, environmental permitting and environmental health legislation.

Our response

Welsh Government official Hywel Butts participated in online meetings with representatives of Biomass UK No.2 Ltd to discuss the scope of the environmental statement they are preparing on the following dates: 04/12/2020, 05/01/2021, 09/03/2021, 17/03/2021.

Next steps

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at the address listed earlier in this letter.

Information Rights Unit, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ

or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at the address listed earlier in this letter. However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely