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Regulation and Enforcement Division



Department of
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and Rural Affairs**

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Dear [REDACTED]

Environmental Information Regulations 2004

With regard to your request for information received by the Department on 21 August 2026 which sought the following information

List of destination sites that NIEA accredited plastic exporters have exported plastic packaging waste to showing the total tonnage reported as exported to each site period 1 Jan - 30 Jun 2026.

In relation to individual destination sites, the Department has decided not to disclose some of the information requested as it considers Regulation 12(5)(e) to be engaged. In these instances, the Department is legislatively required to consider the public interest in disclosure. An associated Public Interest Test has been conducted and is attached for your information as **Annex A**.

If you are deaf or have a hearing difficulty you can contact the Department via the Next Generation Text Relay Service by dialling 18001 + telephone number.

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A list of the monthly tonnages of plastic exports to destination countries for the period January to June 2026, is however attached as a .csv file.

If you require any clarification, believe that any part of your request has been overlooked, misunderstood or misinterpreted, please contact me in the first instance to see if it is a matter that can be resolved.

If you are unhappy with the manner in which your request for information has been handled or the decision to release/withhold information, you have the right to request a formal review by the Department.

If you wish to do so, please contact The Review Section either by e-mailing daera.informationmanager@daera-ni.gov.uk or by post at The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs, Data Protection & Information Management Branch, Floor 2, Jubilee House, 111 Ballykelly Road, Ballykelly, Limavady BT49 9HP, within two months from the date of this letter.

If after such an internal review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, CHESHIRE, SK9 5AF, who will undertake an independent review of the Department's decision.

Yours sincerely


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