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08 January 2020

Dear [REDACTED],

Environmental Information request: FOI2019/00020

Thank you for your Environmental Information request received on the 3 December in which you requested the following:

Your request:

Please can you provide a copy of information held/supplied by CEH for the 2019 National Atmospheric Emissions Inventory report regarding Northern Ireland?

In particular I am only interested in Ammonia emissions and I am seeking a copy for each species as well as AD plants: the datasets, assumptions and computations which clearly demonstrate how these estimates were determined.

Our response

I can confirm UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) hold the information relevant to your request.

The UK Centre for Ecology & Hydrology (UKCEH) is now an independent research institute and no longer subject to the Freedom of Information Act and EIRs, but we will continue to respond positively to requests for information about our research results, most of which will be openly available.

UKCEH estimates and submits the annual updates for ammonia emissions from anaerobic digestion to [the UK National Atmospheric Emission Inventory](#)¹. Emissions from all source sectors (including Northern Ireland-specific data) can be found on the NAEI website. If you need further information, please contact the NAEI team who have all the summary activity and emission data available for each country.

The report detailing our underlying methods and the input data used [can be found here](#)² for 2017, the most recent inventory year published. As stated in the report, we use more detailed data available to us under license (NNFCC), which we cannot share. However, key information for AD sites is also publicly available from the [Biogas](#)³ and [ADBA](#)⁴ websites.

If you have any queries regarding our response or you are unhappy with the outcome of your request and wish to seek a review of the decision, please contact:

Head of Information Governance

Email: foi@ukri.org or infogovernance@ukri.org

Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

¹ <https://naei.beis.gov.uk/>

² <http://nora.nerc.ac.uk/id/eprint/522471/1/N522471CR.pdf>


³ <http://www.biogas-info.co.uk/resources/biogas-map/>

⁴ <http://adbioresources.org/>

If you are still not content with the outcome of the review, you may apply to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the review procedure provided by UKRI. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: <http://www.ico.gov.uk/>

If you wish to raise a complaint regarding the service you have received or the conduct of any UKRI staff in relation to your request, please see UKRI's complaints policy: <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/policies-and-standards/complaints-policy/>

Yours sincerely,


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