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Dear [REDACTED]

Environmental Information Regulations 2004 – Information request (ref: EIR_19-317)

We have now considered your request of 30 September 2019 for the following information:

'I am enquiring to request access to any data you may have on the locations, frequencies, sizes and costs of UK crop fires.

The time scale can be as far back as records have been. Locations are not specific - I would like to collect as many from across the UK as possible.

As for 'costs,' if there is any data regarding the type of crop which was subject to fire as well as any other information about economic losses in from the fires.'

We regret that on this occasion it is not possible to provide the requested information.

The Regulations contains a number of exceptions that allow public authorities to withhold certain information from release. In line with our obligations under Regulation 14 of the EIR, we have applied the following exception to your request.

Exception	Reason
Regulation 12(4)(a), Information not held	Requested information was not held at the time of the request

Exception explanation

Regulation 12(4)(a) is cited in relation to some of the requested information as it was not held by the University at the time that the request was received.

We have conducted a free text search of our research output system which contains records of all research conducted at UEA. This search has not located any research or related data that is relevant to your request and we are confident that we do not hold any information relevant to your request.

We suggest that you access CORE, a UK-based open access source of worldwide research information (see: <https://core.ac.uk>) where you can undertake your own further research.

We are sorry we cannot provide the data you requested, but trust this letter explains our position. If you are unhappy with our response, you have the right of appeal against this decision. If you wish to appeal, please set out in writing your reasons for appealing and send to the above address. You must appeal within 40 working days of the date of this letter. In line with section 5.3 of the UK Government's Freedom of Information Act Code of Practice, we are not obliged to accept internal reviews after this date.

You also have a subsequent right of appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office. Further information is available on their website:

https://ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us, or by telephone on 0303 123 1113.

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Please quote our reference given at the head of this letter in all correspondence.

Yours sincerely

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