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RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST DATED

Dear

Please be advised of the following in relation to your request.

Question 1 How many fire safety inspections of hotels, guest houses or similar have you carried out each year between 2001 and 2021?

The Fire and Rescue Services (Northern Ireland) Order 2006 and The Fire Safety Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010 did not come into effect until 15 November 2010. Prior to that date, a limited number of premises fell within the scope of NIFRS enforcement remit and NIFRS are unable to generate figures for that time period.

Year	No. of Audits	Year	No. of Audits
2010	2	2016	132
2011	304	2017	192
2012	136	2018	120
2013	169	2019	120
2014	79	2020	62
2015	104	2021	118

Question 2: How many enforcement and prohibition warnings have you issued to hotels, guest houses and similar each year between 2001 and 2021?

NIFRS issues an Enforcement Notice or a Prohibition Notice when necessary. The term warning is not used by NIFRS. NIFRS are unable to generate figures for the time period prior to 15 November 2010.

Year	Enforcements Issued	Prohibitions Issued
2010	0	0
2011	1	0
2012	4	2
2013	2	1
2014	0	2
2015	1	0
2016	0	0
2017	1	1
2018	0	0
2019	0	0
2020	0	0
2021	0	0

Question 3: To your knowledge, how many hotels, guest houses or similar are there in your jurisdiction with ACM cladding?

There are currently no hotels, guest houses or similar in Northern Ireland with ACM cladding that NIFRS have been made aware of.

Review Process

Under the terms of the legislation, if you are unhappy with this response you have the right to seek a review within the Northern Ireland Fire & Rescue Service in the first instance. If you wish to do so, please write to Stuart Crawford the Governance, Information & Business Support Services Manager, 1 Seymour Street, Lisburn, BT27 4SX within two calendar months of the date of this letter.

If after such a review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner who will undertake an independent review.

The Information Commissioner contact details are – 3rd Floor 14 Cromac Place Belfast BT7 2JB.

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Yours sincerely

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