

Ref: EIR2025-056

23 October 2025

Dear [REDACTED],

Further to our previous correspondence regarding your request for the following information:

*I would like to make a request under the relevant legislation for the following information:*

*\* Checks for possible Radioactive Contamination of Fish. Note by S J Dagg, Health Physics Division*

*AWRE May 1957*

*\* Fish Sampling. Note by W G McDougall, Health Physics Division AWRE February 1958*

Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (the Regulations).

We can confirm that the AWE holds all of the information you have requested, however we are withholding the information under Regulation 6(1)(b) of the EIR. AWE are not required to provide information that is already publicly available and reasonably accessible to you by other means. This is similar in effect to Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), which exempts information that is already in the public domain.

As the requested information is already publicly available and reasonably accessible, we are applying Regulation 6(1)(b) of the EIR. Therefore, we are not required to provide copies of the documents directly.

The documents you have requested are already publicly accessible via The National Archives (TNA) and can be located using the links below:

**\* Checks for possible Radioactive Contamination of Fish. Note by S J Dagg, Health Physics Division AWRE May 1957:**

- [TNA Catalogue Reference: ES18/208](#)

**\* Fish Sampling. Note by W G McDougall, Health Physics Division AWRE February 1958**

- [TNA Catalogue Reference: ES18/207](#)

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications. If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you are unhappy with the way your request has been handled you have a right to request an internal review within 40 days of receiving this letter, by writing to [information.requests@awe.co.uk](mailto:information.requests@awe.co.uk) or our postal address: Information Requests Team, AWE Aldermaston, Reading, RG7 4PR. If you are still unhappy after an internal review has been completed, under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and Regulation 18 of the EIRs you have the right to take your complaint to the Information



Commissioner's Office. Please note the Commissioner will generally not consider a complaint until you have exhausted AWE's internal complaints process.

Yours sincerely,

AWE Information Requests Team