

Point 4

Access to this information is granted. See attached record.

Point 5 above

I am to advise, in accordance with Article 7(5) of the above referenced regulations, that no records exist in relation to point 5 of your request.

(2) AIE Request Reference OEA AIE 2022 03 received from you on 17th January 2022

Under the AIE Regs to request a list of named quarries with their GPS locations and related water abstraction data, from the dataset known as the Water Abstraction Register

Decision

I made a final decision on 11 February 2022 to part- grant your request as follows:

As per my decision on request OEA AIE 2022 02 above, quarries are identified in the register provided to you with all personal data (names and addresses) redacted. The abstraction points are rounded to the nearest kilometer. See attached record.

Right of review

Under Article 11 of the AIE Regulations you have a right to request an internal review of a decision. An internal review involves a complete reconsideration of the matter by a member of the staff of the EPA unconnected with the original decision, of the same or higher rank than the original decision-maker, who may affirm, vary or annul the original decision.

This request must be made to aie@epa.ie within one month of the date the decision. The decision on an internal review will be communicated to you within one month of receipt of your request for an internal review.

Please contact me at 053 9160600 or p.morris@epa.ie if I can assist you in any matter relating to your request.

Yours sincerely,



Patrick Morris
EPA Water Programme

Relevant Extracts from the AIE Regulations

Article 8(a)(i) (personal Information)

8. A public authority shall not make available environmental information in accordance with article 7 where disclosure of the information—

(a) would adversely affect—

(i) the confidentiality of personal information relating to a natural person who has not consented to the disclosure of the information, and where that confidentiality is otherwise protected by law,

Article 8(a)(iii) (protection of the environment)

8. A public authority shall not make available environmental information in accordance with article 7 where disclosure of the information—

(a) would adversely affect:

(iii) the protection of the environment to which that information relates

Article 9(1)(a) (public security)

9. (1) A public authority may refuse to make available environmental information where disclosure of the information requested would adversely affect—

(a) international relations, national defence or public security