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**Re: AIE Request OEA AIE 2023 04**

12/04/2023

Dear Sir or Madam

I refer to the request you made under the European Communities (Access to Information on the Environment) Regulations 2007 to 2018 (S.I. No. 133 of 2007, S.I. No. 662 of 2011, S.I. 615 of 2014 and S.I. No. 309 of 2018) (hereafter referred to as the AIE Regulations) for access to information held by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to:

*Under the AIE Regs to request the list of environmental data projects undertaken by the EPA Analytics team in the years 2020 to 2023*

*In 2018, the EPA established a small Analytics team of four staff and two contractors to pilot the use of data science, spatial analysis, earth observation and data visualisation techniques. The purpose of the team is to analyse data to generate knowledge and insights on the environment by working collaboratively with EPA subject matter experts. When the team of experts was formed they embarked on a series of stakeholder meetings across the EPA to identify opportunities for the application of data science and analysis.*

See <https://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/sites/d2edc107-en/index.html?itemId=/content/component/d2edc107-en>

## Summary of Decision

I made a decision on your request on 12 April 2023. Following identification of one record which relates to your request, I have decided that you should be granted access to that record.

Appendix 1 provides details of the document that I consider relevant to your request. It gives a brief description of each document.

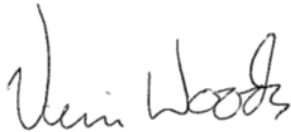
## Right of review

Under Article 11 of the AIE Regulations you have a right to request an internal review of this decision. An internal review involves a complete reconsideration of the matter by a member of the staff of the Environmental Protection Agency 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.

If you wish to request an internal review, you can do so by writing to our AIE Officer ([aie@epa.ie](mailto:aie@epa.ie)), referring to this decision, quoting the AIE reference number. This request must be made within one month of the date of receipt of this decision. The decision of an internal review will be communicated to you within one month of receipt of your request for an internal review.

Please contact me at 053 916 0600 or [k.woods@epa.ie](mailto:k.woods@epa.ie) if I can assist you in any matter relating to your request.

Yours sincerely,



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Kevin Woods  
Programme Officer  
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#### **Appendix 1**

##### **List of documents fully granted (document name/size)**

1. *List of environmental data projects undertaken by the EPA Analytics team in the years 2020 to 2023 – 11KB*