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Dear [REDACTED]

Environmental Information Regulations 2004

With regard to your request for information received by the Department on 14th February 2022 which sought the information detailed below.

- For each of the last 10 years and broken down by council, how much municipal waste collected by NI councils was exported from NI (including elsewhere in the UK or RoI)?
- For the last year for which figures are available, how much of this material was exported to each country and what was its end use (e.g. incineration)?
- The department collects data on brown bin waste collected for composting by councils. However, do you have any estimates or other data on how much compostable material is now home composted?

I can advise that the Department has completed its search and can confirm that it holds the information you requested in the first 2 bullets which is contained in the Appendices 1 and 2 respectively.

With regard to the third bullet and in line with Regulation 12(4)(a), the Department is excepted from the duty to disclose the information requested on the grounds that it does not hold any information on how much compostable material is now home composted.

If you require any clarification, believe that any part of your request has been overlooked, misunderstood or misinterpreted, please contact me in the first instance to see if it is a matter that can be resolved.

If you are unhappy with the manner in which your request for information has been handled or the decision to release/withhold information, you have the right to request a formal review by the

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Department. If you wish to do so, please contact The Review Section either by e-mailing daera.informationmanager@daera-ni.gov.uk or by post at The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs, Data Protection & Information Management Branch, Floor 2, Ballykelly House, 111 Ballykelly Road, Ballykelly, Limavady BT49 9HP, within two months from the date of this letter.

If after such an internal review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, CHESHIRE, SK9 5AF, who will undertake an independent review of the Department's decision.

Yours sincerely,

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APPENDIX 1

Amount of Council municipal waste sent Ex-NI by financial year	2020/21	2019/20	2018/19	2017/18	2016/17	2015/16
Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council	13,161	11,275	12,339	11,623	8,752	7,519
Ards and North Down Borough Council	10,574	8,955	7,361	9,647	9,702	9,053
Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Council	32,466	33,571	39,185	40,524	41,510	44,971
Belfast City Council	37,970	26,957	45,009	48,548	53,230	55,741
Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council	17,709	17,017	21,654	21,618	23,634	25,471
Derry City and Strabane District Council	20,018	18,615	26,447	29,724	33,482	35,779
Fermanagh and Omagh District Council	12,443	12,873	13,572	10,466	10,126	9,142
Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council	7,645	6,843	5,095	5,909	5,048	7,487
Mid and East Antrim Borough Council	10,939	8,137	5,689	6,758	5,863	7,668
Mid Ulster District Council	45,576	41,956	35,812	21,508	18,982	18,565
Newry, Mourne and Down District Council	51,631	49,584	48,844	53,102	54,598	39,698

Amount of Council municipal waste sent Ex-NI by financial year	2014/15	2013/14	2012/13	2011/12
Antrim Borough Council	3,989	4,478	3,830	778
Ards Borough Council	3,008	3,001	4,133	4,484
Armagh City & District Council	11,313	5,605	2,029	2,902
Ballymena Borough Council	2,917	2,633	1,082	1,970
Ballymoney Borough Council	3,103	2,607	2,283	1,971
Banbridge District Council	11,841	5,529	3,430	1,393
Belfast City Council (pre April 2015)	50,424	45,987	21,884	4,604
Carrickfergus Borough Council	1,959	1,616	963	1,123
Castlereagh Borough Council	2,158	2,123	1,544	1,478
Coleraine Borough Council	8,723	9,666	8,541	7,233
Cookstown District Council	5,258	3,631	2,210	1,299
Craigavon Borough Council	22,311	14,479	16,815	17,355
Derry City Council	29,145	20,519	15,252	6,438
Down District Council	4,212	2,513	3,147	2,897
Dungannon & South Tyrone Borough Council	4,526	6,142	6,121	5,593
Fermanagh District Council	5,657	5,909	6,946	7,970
Larne Borough Council	2,185	1,852	2,817	3,182
Limavady Borough Council	6,501	4,356	4,427	3,435
Lisburn City Council	5,905	8,279	5,519	2,106
Magherafelt District Council	10,427	7,349	6,978	5,672
Moyle District Council	4,362	3,085	1,509	1,058
Newry & Mourne District Council	9,103	8,006	5,566	1,999
Newtownabbey Borough Council	2,877	2,682	2,832	4,409
North Down Borough Council	3,120	3,136	3,137	3,704
Omagh District Council	4,027	2,782	2,443	1,615
Strabane District Council	5,178	4,493	4,569	4,369

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Country Council municipal waste sent Ex-NI for recycling in 2020-21	Great Britain	Belgium	China	France	Germany	Hong Kong	Hungary
Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council	2,708	28	0	0	0	0	8
Ards and North Down Borough Council	4,122	86	0	0	0	0	0
Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Council	1,861	520	876	0	57	0	0
Belfast City Council	5,819	41	0	75	0	0	0
Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council	1,622	822	0	0	14	139	0
Derry City and Strabane District Council	1,809	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fermanagh and Omagh District Council	2,144	0	0	0	822	0	0
Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council	2,359	39	0	0	0	0	0
Mid and East Antrim Borough Council	1,041	398	0	0	0	0	0
Mid Ulster District Council	2,725	1,253	0	0	2,161	0	3
Newry, Mourne and Down District Council	1,162	1,221	0	0	245	0	0

Country Council municipal waste sent Ex-NI for recycling in 2020-21	India	Indonesia	Ireland	Malaysia	Netherlands	Norway	Portugal	Saudi Arabia
Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council	1,857	306	1,161	39	275	0	0	10
Ards and North Down Borough Council	1,603	12	465	187	291	0	0	84
Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Council	6,351	0	1,733	0	290	50	0	0
Belfast City Council	2,501	0	2,755	0	433	0	0	37
Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council	3,989	0	574	20	68	66	0	0
Derry City and Strabane District Council	4,452	0	1,669	0	23	0	42	0
Fermanagh and Omagh District Council	2,574	0	5,137	0	0	0	0	0
Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council	1,322	150	305	19	255	0	0	17
Mid and East Antrim Borough Council	1,884	154	628	0	578	0	0	0
Mid Ulster District Council	3,318	0	2,869	0	120	37	0	0
Newry, Mourne and Down District Council	8,259	0	793	0	304	0	0	0

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Country Council municipal waste sent Ex-NI for recycling in 2020-21	Singapore	Spain	Sweden	Taiwan	Thailand	Turkey	USA	Vietnam
Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council	53	32	0	151	379	557	62	0
Ards and North Down Borough Council	0	115	0	43	299	1,515	0	187
Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Council	0	2,301	0	0	0	145	0	0
Belfast City Council	18	230	0	0	171	550	0	0
Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council	0	876	1	0	0	140	27	0
Derry City and Strabane District Council	0	0	0	83	479	1,255	31	0
Fermanagh and Omagh District Council	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council	9	95	0	68	219	344	0	0
Mid and East Antrim Borough Council	0	0	0	0	0	121	0	0
Mid Ulster District Council	0	1,674	0	0	0	681	0	0
Newry, Mourne and Down District Council	0	1,530	0	0	0	0	0	0

Area / country Council municipal waste sent Ex-NI for energy recovery* in 2020-21	Great Britain	Denmark	Ireland	Netherlands	Sweden	USA
Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council	70	346	204	31	3,056	1,828
Ards and North Down Borough Council	0	0	70	0	1,166	329
Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Council	75	6,548	3,631	0	7,195	0
Belfast City Council	396	9,733	14,124	0	718	369
Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council	1,697	2,588	2,662	0	2,102	0
Derry City and Strabane District Council	6,556	0	3,619	0	0	0
Fermanagh and Omagh District Council	1,350	0	416	0	0	0
Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council	200	0	1,438	0	634	172
Mid and East Antrim Borough Council	0	0	54	0	6,027	54
Mid Ulster District Council	168	0	27,482	0	530	0
Newry, Mourne and Down District Council	284	258	32,797	0	1,046	0

* via both waste incineration and gasification

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Area / country Council municipal waste sent Ex-NI for landfill in 2020-21	Great Britain
Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council	0
Ards and North Down Borough Council	0
Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Council	833
Belfast City Council	0
Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council	302
Derry City and Strabane District Council	0
Fermanagh and Omagh District Council	0
Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council	0
Mid and East Antrim Borough Council	0
Mid Ulster District Council	2,555
Newry, Mourne and Down District Council	3,732

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