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Dear [REDACTED]

### **Freedom of Information Act 2000**

With regard to your request for information received by the Department on 16 December 2022 which sought the following information:

Please provide me with a list of decisions requiring Ministerial or Executive approval which are currently outstanding in the Department.

I can advise that the Department has completed its search and can confirm that it holds all of the information you requested which is attached in Annex A.

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 Department. If you wish to do so, please contact The Review Section either by e-mailing [daera.informationmanager@daera-ni.gov.uk](mailto: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.

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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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| <b>Decision/Description</b>  | <b>Ministerial/Executive Approval</b> |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| Approval to lay the Loughs Agency's Annual Report and Accounts 2020 before the Assembly.   | Ministerial                           |
| Agree to stakeholder engagement on the proposed new Domestic Spirit Drinks Enforcement Regulation                                  | Ministerial                           |
| Approval of Zootechnical Common Framework and Concordat  | Ministerial                           |
| Approval of amended version of the Round 3 Roads Noise Action Plan.  | Ministerial                           |
| Approval of legislation to update Domestic Identification, Registration and Movement Legislation                                   | Ministerial                           |
| Agree EP Kilroot Revised Direction   | Ministerial                           |
| Agree the draft Statutory Rule to make the Aquatic Animal Health (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2022                   | Ministerial                           |
| Make amendments to Northern Ireland Legislation in respect of Invasive Alien Species and Restrictions on use of Lead Shot          | Ministerial                           |
| Approval to commence a competition for a new Agricultural Wages Board Chair and two independent Members                            | Ministerial                           |
| Agree consultation on draft Environmental Principles Policy Statement  | Ministerial                           |
| Executive approval for the Environment Strategy - Approved by Minister 23/03/2022  | Executive                             |
| Executive approval for Northern Ireland's Third Cycle River Basin Management Plan - Approved by Minister 18/10/2022                | Executive                             |
| Executive approval for the publication of the final Northern Ireland Peatland Strategy - Approved by Minister 18/10/2022           | Executive                             |
| Executive approval for the revised version of Green Growth Strategy - Approved by Minister 27/10/2022                              | Executive                             |
| Executive approval for the publication of the final Food Strategy Framework for Northern Ireland - Approved by Minister 03/02/2022 | Executive                             |
| Northern Ireland Fishery Harbour Authority (NIFHA) Draft Corporate Plan 2022-2026 and Business Plan 2022-23                        | Ministerial                           |