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**Sent:** 18 August 2011 14:31  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FOI- humaneness of snares research

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your letter of 15 August to my colleague [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] rather than delay a reply to your letter until he returns from the office, he and I were keen that a reply should be sent to you today following your conversation with him on Wednesday.



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Dear [REDACTED]

**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: CONCERNING CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO  
RESEARCH ON SNARES, PROJECT WM0315**

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Thank you for your letter of 15 August asking about the delay in providing a reply to your FOI request.

We spoke on the 'phone on Wednesday and I explained that the public interest related to the release of the results from the final project report. I also described the difficulties that can be encountered in meeting the 20 working day deadline and I am grateful for your understanding. Although having explained the reasons for the end of September reply date, we will of course seek to reply to you before that date if at all possible.

In the meantime, if there is anything else you wish to discuss, please feel free to ring me on the number I gave to you.

Yours sincerely

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