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Dear [REDACTED]

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: PRE-NOTIFICATION FOR TREE SPECIES IMPORTED FROM EUROPE

Thank you for your request for information, which we received on the 20th January 2015, regarding figures for the pre-notification of tree species imported from Europe. As you know, we have handled your request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIRs).

I enclose a copy of the information you requested. An interrogation of our system shows figures for tree species imported from EU Member States and a list of ports of entry as in the attached spreadsheet.

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I attach Annex A, which explains the copyright that applies to the information being released to you.

I also attach Annex B giving contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact the address below.

Yours sincerely,

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Annex A

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