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16th October, 2012

Dear 

Our Ref No: FOI/2012/0013

I refer to the request which you made under the Freedom of Information Acts 1997 and 2003 for records held by this Body dated 21st September 2012 for information relating to 'the application by CIE for additional mid-year funding and the subsequent decision to provide an additional subvention of €36m to the group in July 2012'.

I have made a final decision regarding your request on Tuesday 16th October 2012. If you have any queries regarding this correspondence you can contact me by telephone at (01) 

You have sought access to the records by means of digital/electronic form and I consider this an appropriate form of access in this case. Accordingly, a copy of the records is now enclosed.

The purpose of this letter is to explain that decision. This explanation has the following parts:

1. schedule of the records covered by your request;
2. details of the search for relevant records, and
3. a statement of how you can appeal this decision should you wish to do so.

This letter addresses each of these three parts in turn.

1. Schedules of records

A schedule is attached at the end of this letter. It shows all the documents that the National Transport Authority (NTA) considers relevant to your request. The schedules describe each document, and indicate whether the document is released, released with deletions or not released.

2. Findings, particulars and reasons for any decisions to deny access.

The search for relevant documents included a search of the physical files held by the Authority, the electronic files held by the Authority, and a request issued to the relevant personnel of the Authority and discussions with same.

The above are the reasonable steps which we have taken to locate the records which you have sought. In choosing these steps, this Authority has tried to maximise the chance that the records will be found, while not overly disrupting its operations. On this basis, this Authority has identified and implemented the steps to locate the records that were reasonable to take in this case. All identified records are being released.

3. Right of appeal

You may appeal this decision. Please note that a fee applies for an appeal. The level of this has been set at €75. In the event that you need to make such an appeal, you can do so by writing to:

Freedom of Information Unit
National Transport Authority
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enclosing the appropriate fee. Payment should be made by way of bank draft, money order, postal order or personal cheque made payable to the National Transport Authority. You should make your appeal within 4 weeks (20 working days) from the date of this notification, however, the making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances. The appeal will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of the staff of the Authority.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter Fitzsimons', is written over a horizontal line.

Peter Fitzsimons

Schedule of Records

Rec. No.:	Brief Description of Record:	Dated:	No. of Pages:	Decision:	Basis of Refusal (if any):
1	Covering e-mail re letter from Dept. Transport, Tourism and Sport (DTTAS) re CIÉ companies	12/07/12	1	released	
1.A	Letter from DTTAS to NTA re CIÉ companies	12/07/12	1	released	
2	e-mail from DTTAS to NTA re proposed letter to NTA and mentioning Government approval of additional PSO funding	14/08/12	1	released	
3	Covering e-mail re letter from DTTAS re additional PSO funding	15/08/12	1	released	
3.A	Letter from DTTAS to NTA re additional PSO funding	15/08/12	1	released	

Gerry Murphy

From: DALY Liam <LiamDaly@dtas.ie>
Sent: 12 July 2012 16:33
To: Gerry Murphy
Cc: Anne Graham; MCCARTHY Dermot; DOYLE Kevin
Subject: Letter re CIE companies

Dear Gerry,

Please see updating letter on CIE companies which is also being sent to you by post.

Yours sincerely

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Mr Gerry Murphy

Chief Executive

NTA

12th July 2012

Dear Gerry,

I refer to previous correspondence concerning requests for advance PSO payments in respect of the PSO contracts with the CIE companies.

I can confirm that the Department proposes to report this month to Government on CIE's finances with a view to strengthening the CIE Group's financial sustainability and addressing the CIE Companies' recent cash flow difficulties.

Yours sincerely

Liam Daly

Principal Officer

Public Transport Division

Gerry Murphy

From: DALY Liam <LiamDaly@dtas.ie>
Sent: 14 August 2012 17:48
To: Gerry Murphy
Subject: update on financial position of CIE

Gerry,

The letter we discussed this morning would be as follows:

" I refer to previous correspondence concerning requests by the CIE companies for advance PSO payments in respect of the PSO contracts with the CIE companies.

As you know the Minister reported to Government at end July on CIE's finances. As a result the Government agreed new funding arrangements that require increased PSO funding of €36m to be made available in 2012 to enable the companies to have sufficient funds to fulfil their PSO contracts in 2012.

Yours sincerely...."

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Gerry Murphy

From: COLLIER Joan <JoanCollier@dtas.ie>
Sent: 15 August 2012 10:11
To: Gerry Murphy
Cc: DOYLE Kevin; Ennis Lynda
Subject: Letter from Liam Daly
Attachments: 20120815101142.pdf; ATT00001.txt

Importance: High

Gerry

Liam asked that I send the attached letter on to you.

Regards
Joan

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Mr Gerry Murphy
Chief Executive Officer
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15th August 2012

Dear Gerry

I refer to previous correspondence concerning requests by the CIE companies for advance PSO payments in respect of the PSO contracts with them.

As you know the Minister reported to Government at end July on CIE's finances. As a result the Government agreed new funding arrangements that will allow increased PSO funding of €36m to be made available in 2012 to enable the companies to have sufficient funds to fulfil their PSO contracts in 2012.

Yours sincerely



Liam Daly
Principal Officer
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