

Information Released under Freedom of Information Act

Subject: Met Office funding

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Summary of request:

Does the Met Office report to a senior Government Department and how is the Met Office funded?

Information released:

The Met Office is a trading fund of the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills. Further details of the Met Office trading fund status and how the Met Office is funded can be located via the following links:

<http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/about-us>

<http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/about-us/who/management>

<http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/about-us/what/pws/customer-group>

I also attach a link to our Report and Accounts which will give you information on our trading fund status:

http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/media/pdf/r/6/AR_A2011-12.pdf

The governance statement on page 23 provides an overview of our governance structure. The financial review (page 14) provides details of our business model and note 3 to the accounts (page 47) provide detail of income by operating segment.

The Met Office derives its revenue through the provision of weather and climate services under contract to a range of Government and commercial customers.