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Freedom of Information Officer

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Ref: FOI/December 2018/ Harry Mayo

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Dear Mr Mayo

Your request for information received on 19 December 2018 has been dealt with under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

You asked:

am writing to you in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act. If you are not the relevant person/department to deal with this request, you are required under the Act's provisions to pass this email on to the relevant body or person that can process my request.

All the questions in the Freedom of Information request below relate to the period 1st January 2015 – 19th December 2018.

My query relates to the funding sources of academic research surrounding oil and gas extraction methods.

For each question, please supply me with information regarding:

- 1) Whether the university, including its academic staff, students and affiliate centres, have undertaken and/or are currently undertaking research on oil and gas extraction methods (including those methods commonly known as 'fracking')? Please state: the date the research was published, length of research, a URL directing to the research publication, where the research was published, which department/school undertook the research, and the author of each piece of research disclosed.
- 2) For each piece of research disclosed, please state whether it received external funding, whether this funding was restricted funding, who/which organization funded the research, and the terms the funding was awarded on.

University Response

1) No research has been published on oil and gas extraction methods during the period 1st January 2015 and 19th December 2018. Independent verification can be made via <http://eprints.mdx.ac.uk/>

2) No funded research was undertaken on oil and gas extraction methods during the period 1st January 2015 and 19th December 2018.

I trust this satisfies your request sufficiently. Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, you have the right to complain about the University's response to your request for information. If you have such a complaint, you may contact Mr David Maplas, Director of Student Affairs, Middlesex University, Hendon campus, London NW4 4BT, tel: 020 8411 5830, d.malpas@mdx.ac.uk within 40 days of the date of this letter for a review of the University's decision. If you remain unsatisfied with the outcome of that complaint, you may seek further recourse by lodging an appeal with the Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

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