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Ms. Nuala Free,
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Dept of Communication, Marine & Natural Resources,
Leeson Lane,
DUBLIN 2.

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Dear Ms. Free,

I wish to access the following records under the Freedom of Information Acts:-

- All correspondence, briefing notes, emails, file notes, meeting notes and other documentation in relation to the proposed decentralisation of Bord Iascaigh Mhara to Clonakilty, County Cork dating back to December 2003.
- We would also request documentation in relation to the Decentralisation Implementation Group which reports directly to the Minister for Finance concerning minutes and meeting notes in relation to Bord Iascaigh Mhara.
- We would also request documentation in relation to the appointment of Ms. Rose McHugh as Chairperson of BIM

We would like to obtain this documentation in the form of photocopies. If you have any queries in relation to this request please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned. Please also find enclosed the required €15.00 cheque in relation to this matter.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

SERVICES INDUSTRIAL PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL UNION


Owen Reidy
Branch Organiser

Cc: C Curraoin, J O'Mahony

16th August, 2006

Mr Owen Reidy,
SIPTU.,
Liberty Hall,
Dublin 1.

FOI/0066/2006

Dear Mr Reidy,

I refer to the Freedom of Information request received in this office on 02/08/2006 along with the associated fee.

Your request has been allocated to two separate areas of the Department for response, the officer handling part 1 of your request, which refers to all correspondence etc., regarding the proposed decentralisation of BIM to Clonakilty, Co Cork dating back to 2003 will be dealt with by myself, Mary Rabbitte, FOI Unit, Department of Communications, Marine & Natural Resources, Leeson Lane, Dublin 2. I can be contacted at 01 6782903. Part 2 of your request, which relates to Decentralisation implementation Group which reports directly to the Minister for Finance will be dealt with by the Department of Finance.

The officer who will be dealing with part 3 of your request, which relates to the appointment of Ms. Rose McHugh as Chairperson as Chairperson of BIM is Ms Kathleen Regan, Seafood Policy & Development Division, Department of Communications, Marine & Natural Resources, Leeson Lane, Dublin 2. She can be contacted at 01 6782520.


A final decision on your request will normally be sent to you within 4 weeks of receipt of your request. This means that you can expect to receive your decision by the 31/08/2006.

If you have not heard from us when the time allocated has expired, you are automatically entitled to appeal to the Department for a review of the matter. This review proceeds on the legal basis that the initial request is considered to be refused once the specified time for responding to it has expired.

You should also be aware that you are entitled to a review of the decision if your request is refused, or if you are for any reason dissatisfied with the outcome of your request. The review is a full and new examination of the matter carried out by a more senior member of staff of this Department. In the event that you need to make an appeal, you can do so by writing to FOI Unit, Department of Communications, Marine & Natural Resources, Leeson Lane, Dublin 2. Please note that there is a charge for all appeals of FOI requests. This charge is currently €75.00. A reduced fee of €25.00 applies if you are the holder of a Medical Card.

Please note that the Department of Communications, Marine & Natural Resources has a policy of posting a summary of your request, your name and address and the subsequent reply on the Department's website for reference purposes.

Yours sincerely,



Mary Rabbitte
FOI Unit

29th August, 2006

Mr Owen Reidy,
SIPTU,
Liberty Hall,
Dublin 1.

FOI/0066/2006

Dear Mr Reidy,

I refer to the request you have made under the Freedom of Information Act for access to records held by this Department in connection with the appointment of Ms. Rose McHugh as Chairperson of BIM.

Your request has been granted and I attach all relevant information with this letter. Please find included a Schedule of all records associated with your request, detailing the order in which they are filed here.

I wish to advise you that, if for any reason you are not satisfied with the outcome of your request, you are entitled to seek a review of the case by appealing the decision to this Department's FOI Internal Review Board. To appeal, you need to write to FOI Unit, Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources, Leeson Lane, Dublin 2. You must make your appeal within 4 weeks of the date of this letter, but 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 this Department.

Please note that an application fee for an appeal is currently €75.00 and a reduced fee of €25.00 applies if you are covered by a Medical Card.

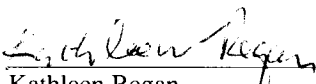
If claiming a reduced application fee, the request must also be accompanied by

- The Medical Card registration number
- The name of the issuing Health Board
- Your consent to the verification of these details with that Health Board.

Payment should be made by way of bank draft, money postal order, or personal cheque made payable to "The Department of Communications, Marine & Natural Resources".

On receipt of the fee, an acknowledgement letter will be sent to you outlining details of when you can expect a decision on your appeal, and the contact details of the person handling the appeal.

Yours sincerely,



Kathleen Regan
Seafood Policy & Development Division

FOI Request Reference: FOI/0066/2006

Schedule of Records: Summary of Decision Making

Requesting copies of all documentation in relation to the appointment of Ms. Rose McHugh as Chairperson of BIM

Record No.	Brief Description & Date of Record	File Ref.	No. of Pages	Relevant facts	Findings/ conclusions (Public Interest Considerations, (If applicable))	Grant/refuse/pa rt-grant	Basis of Refusal: Section of Act	Record edited/Ident ifydeletions
1	Submission to Runai Aire to Minister Dempsey regarding Board Vacancy dated 7 th April, 2006.	Board 6(b)	8					
2	Letter to Rose McHugh from Minister Dempsey dated 6 th June, 2006.	Board 6(b)	1					
3	Letter from Rose McHugh to Minister Dempsey dated 9 th June, 2006.	Board 6(b)	1					
4	Letter from Minister Dempsey's Private Secretary to Rose McHugh dated 12 th June, 2006.	Board 6(b)	1					
5	Letter to Taoiseach with C.V. from Minister Dempsey dated 12 th June, 2006.	Board 6(b)	2					
6	Letter to the Tanaiste from Minister Dempsey re. Appointment of Rose McHugh dated 12 th June, 2006.	Board 6(b)	1					
7	Letter to Minister for Finance re. Appointment dated June, 2006.	Board 6(b)	1					

8	Letter to Minister of State from Rose McHugh dated 9 th June, 2006.	Board 6(b)	1						
9	Letter to Rose McHugh from Private Secretary to Minister of State dated 12 th June, 2006.	Board 6(b)	1						
10	Copy of Rose McHugh's warrant of appointment dated 12 th June, 2006.	Board 6(b)	1						
11	Copy of notification of proofs from Cahill Printers issue date 20 th June, 2006.	Board 6(b)	1						
12	Copy of warrant of appointment which was inserted in Iris Oifigiuil.	Board 6(b)	1						
13	Copy of letter to Rose McHugh from Assistant Principal, Seafood Policy Division dated 13 th June, 2006.	Board 6(b)	1						
14	Copy of letter from Private Secretary to The Taoiseach to Private Secretary to Minister Dempsey dated 14 th June, 2006.	Board 6(b)	1						
15	Copy of letter from Minister Dempsey to Chief Executive BIM re. Appointment dated 15 th June, 2006.	Board 6(b)	1						
16	Diary entry from Minister of States Office re. Meeting with Rose McHugh 28 th June, 2006	Board 6(b)	1						