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Sent: 19 August 2008 15:58
To: [Name removed under the Data Protection Act]
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Subject: Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 Ref 590032 - Primary Destinations

Dear [Name removed under the Data Protection Act]

On behalf of the Highways Agency, I am writing to confirm that we have completed our search for the above information which you requested on 29th July 2008.

In answer your question, Primary Destinations that appear on route signs in the UK are prescribed in Appendix C of Local Transport Note 1/94: The Design and Use of Directional Informatory Signs (LTN 1/94), published by the Department for Transport. Most Primary Destinations are important settlements or conurbations, but some are bridges and tunnels, or small towns that are important junctions.

The Highways Agency is responsible for operating, maintaining and improving the motorway and trunk road network in England on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport. A map showing the Highways Agency's road network can be found on our website at: <http://www.highways.gov.uk/aboutus/139.aspx>

Whilst we do not hold a list of Primary Destinations, a detailed description of these destinations are described in paragraph 4 of 'The Eddington Transport Study: Main Report: Volume 2' - extract attached.

It may be prudent to seek further advice from Department for Transport Roads Policy Section as this request extends beyond the Highways Agency's motorways and trunk roads

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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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