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21 November 2016
Reference: F0002972

Dear ██████████

I am writing in respect of your recent request of 28 October 2016, for the release of information held by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA).

Your request:

'I am an analyst covering the UAV sector and was wondering if you have a list of all companies which have been granted National Qualified Entity (NQE) status for Small Unmanned Aircraft.

I would also be interested if you have a list of all companies approved under the Congested Area Operations Safety Case.'

Our response:

Your request has been considered in line with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). Please refer to attachment 1, where you will find a list containing the information you have requested.

If you are not satisfied with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you should approach the CAA in writing at:-

Caroline Chalk
Head of External Information Services
Civil Aviation Authority
Aviation House
Gatwick Airport South
Gatwick
RH6 0YR

caroline.chalk@caa.co.uk

The CAA has a formal internal review process for dealing with appeals or complaints in connection with Freedom of Information requests. The key steps in this process are set in the attachment.

Civil Aviation Authority

Aviation House Gatwick Airport South Gatwick RH6 0YR. www.caa.co.uk

Telephone: 01293 768512. foi.requests@caa.co.uk

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under Section 50 of the FOIA to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner at:-

Information Commissioner's Office
FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
SK9 5AF
<https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

If you wish to request further information from the CAA, please use the form on the CAA website at <http://publicapps.caa.co.uk/modalapplication.aspx?appid=24>.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rihanne Stephen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'R'.

Rihanne Stephen
Information Rights Officer

CAA INTERNAL REVIEW & COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

- The original case to which the appeal or complaint relates is identified and the case file is made available;
- The appeal or complaint is allocated to an Appeal Manager, the appeal is acknowledged and the details of the Appeal Manager are provided to the applicant;
- The Appeal Manager reviews the case to understand the nature of the appeal or complaint, reviews the actions and decisions taken in connection with the original case and takes account of any new information that may have been received. This will typically require contact with those persons involved in the original case and consultation with the CAA Legal Department;
- The Appeal Manager concludes the review and, after consultation with those involved with the case, and with the CAA Legal Department, agrees on the course of action to be taken;
- The Appeal Manager prepares the necessary response and collates any information to be provided to the applicant;
- The response and any necessary information is sent to the applicant, together with information about further rights of appeal to the Information Commissioners Office, including full contact details.

Restricted NQEs (Flight Assessment only):

A TEC-3D
CEFAS
CyberHawk
AJS Ltd.

Full Category NQEs:

Aerial Motion Pictures
Cambridge UAV
Drone Pilot Academy
Heliguy
Euro USC
NATS RPAS
Resource Group
RTP Rheinmetall – RUSTA
Sky-Futures
The Great Circle
Transparent Marine & Electrical T/A Commercial Drone Training
UAV Air – Consortiq
UAV8 Ltd
3iC Ltd
The UAV Academy Ltd
FlyBy Technology
Whispercam
Upliftdronetraining
Strat Aero PLC
The Aerial Academy

OSC Holders Sub 20Kg (Permanent & Temporary):

Helicopter Film Services
Skypower Ltd
Eastwood Media Ltd
Flying Bear
Spider UAS Operations Ltd
BeTomorrow SARL
Horizon Aerial Photography Ltd
BATCAM
Aerial Motion Pictures
Photodrones
Jonathan Potts of Grinlor Productions Ltd
Resource Group Ltd
Upper Cut Productions Ltd
Extreme Facilities Ltd
Aerosight UAV Ltd
HeliPOV
Drone Ops Ltd
Drone Tech Aerospace Ltd
360 Skylens Limited
Skypower Ltd
BB Stratus Ltd

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