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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for environmental information. We appreciate your interest, and we want to let you know that your request has been carefully considered in accordance with the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR).

**Your request(s):**

I request the provision of data relating to sewage discharges impacting the River Weaver in the Northwich area, and all associated assets within a 10-mile radius, covering the period from 1 January 2022 to the present date.

Please provide the following:

- A list of all storm overflows and discharge points within the specified area, including asset names and locations
- Event Duration Monitoring (EDM) data for each asset, including frequency and duration of discharge events
- Discharge volumes, where recorded
- Classification of each discharge (including storm overflow, emergency, or any other category used)
- Details of any monitoring, investigations, or environmental impact assessments conducted in relation to these discharges

**Our response:**

We have answered each of your questions in turn below.

In Appendix A we have set out a list of all storm overflows and discharge points within the specified area, including asset names and locations (as eastings and northings), and classification (including storm overflow, emergency overflow, or Wastewater Treatment works (WwTW)).

Appendix B contains the frequency and duration of events for each asset (EDM data).

Appendix C shows the final effluent discharge volumes of the three recording sites; Middlewich, Vale Royal Abbey and Waverton.

It is important to note that United Utilities' wastewater treatment works (WwTW) discharge continuously within our permit conditions, and that this is generally treated, final effluent (unless there is an asset failure). We do not measure the volume or frequency of these discharges, as this is not a requirement of the permits. Our permits set out regulatory requirements for treatment and discharge of effluent and stormwater. They permits are available from the Environment Agency public register which is available here: <https://environment.data.gov.uk/public-register/view/index>.

There is no requirement to measure the volume of discharge under the environmental permits. We therefore do not hold this data for WwTW and therefore, in accordance with Regulation 12(4)(a) of the EIR, we are unable to provide this data.

For details of any monitoring, investigations, or environmental impact assessments conducted in relation to these discharges please see our website, specifically our *what we are doing* section found via the following link:- [What we are doing | United Utilities - Better Rivers](#).

We hope that this response answers your request. However, if you're not satisfied with how we've handled it, you can request an internal review. To do this, please write to us at Environmental Information Office, Haweswater House, Lingley Mere, Warrington, WA5 3LP or email us at [EIRRequests@uuplc.co.uk](mailto:EIRRequests@uuplc.co.uk), addressing your request to [REDACTED], and explaining why you're unhappy with our response. We'll be very happy to review your request and ensure we've done everything we can to assist you. Any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this response, and we will reply within 40 working days from receipt of the request for internal review.

Many thanks