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By email

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information. I write to confirm that the information you have requested is not held by Ofwat.

As the economic regulator for the water industry Ofwat is not responsible for regulating water treatment works within the UK. Ofwat's remit is defined under section 2 of WIA91 as amended, we must carry out most of our work as an economic regulator in the way we consider will best to:

- further the consumer objective to protect the interests of consumers, wherever appropriate by promoting effective competition
- secure that water companies (meaning water and sewerage undertakers) properly carry out their statutory functions
- secure that water companies can (in particular through securing reasonable returns on their capital) finance the proper carrying out of their statutory functions
- secure that water supply licensees and sewerage licensees properly carry out their licensed activities and statutory functions
- further the resilience objective to secure the long-term resilience of water companies' water supply and wastewater systems; and to secure that they take steps to enable them, in the long term, to meet the need for water supplies and wastewater services

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This useful document produced by Defra www.defra.gov.uk/environment/quality/water/sewage/sewage-treatment explains in further detail and page 27 has a map of treatment works.

Other useful sources of information can be found on the Water UK website at this link <https://www.water.org.uk> and the Discover Water website at this link <https://discoverwater.co.uk>

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<https://ico.org.uk/>

Or

The Information Commissioner's Office
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Yours sincerely,

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