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By email

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for the following information

Please supply the annual population equivalent (PE) returns for the Thames Water Utilities Limited sewage works for the past 20 years or as far back as you have electronic records.

I understand that these figures are submitted by the water companies to Ofwat, annually.

I have asked for the information in this format as I believe it will create the least amount of work for retrieval. If it is a large piece of work I will be more than happy to discuss how to adjust it.

If it is done on a works by works basis I am looking for Bourton on the Water, Burford, Witney, Standlake, Guiting power, Clanfield, Black Bourton, Cassington, Church Hanborough, Northleach, Hogsmill, Moreton in the Marsh and Oxford.

While Ofwat collects population equivalent (PE) data from companies each year via the Annual Performance Reports it is company-level data. We do not systematically collect data on PE served by all individual sewage treatment works, though we do have comprehensive data for two years only (2001-02 and 2018-19) from bespoke information submissions.

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We have collected PE data for large works (those serving >25,000 p.e.) via the business plan data tables at PR14 and PR19, in the last two June Returns (JR10 and JR11) and in Information submissions for 2015-16 and 2016-17.

Please find attached a table which sets out the information requested for the 13 STWs from the sources mentioned above. Note that we have no records of a STW called Black Bourton and have assumed that this is a reference to Carterton STW which is a Thames Water works located in the parish of Black Bourton in Oxfordshire.

Additional PE data is available at the following non-Ofwat sources:

[Water Industry National Environment Programme for 2020-25](#) This contains PE data for STWs at which improvements are planned in the AMP7 period (2020-25)

[EU Water Information System for Europe database](#) This contains PE data for all urban wastewater treatment works in the EU serving >2,000 PE.

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Yours sincerely,



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