

From: EIR Compliance

To:

Subject: 20250915- EIR - Data Supplied

Date: 15 September 2025 09:54:00

Reference Number: EIR

Dear

We refer to your request for information submitted to Yorkshire Water dated 18 August 2025:

"I am conducting academic research on the performance of water companies in wastewater management, particularly in relation to financial investment, operational efficiency, environmental compliance, and workforce capacity.

To support this research, I kindly request the following datasets for the annual data for financial years 2010-2025 (or the most recent available):

1. Number, duration, and estimated volume of storm overflow discharges 2. Annual Scope 1 and 2 emissions (kg CO₂e), normalised per ML treated 3. Volume/percentage of sludge reused for energy/resource recovery 4. Total £ invested in climate adaptation and resilience projects"

We contacted you on the 22 August 2025 to request clarification on the following:

"We are current unable to respond to your request as we required additional clarification as to what information you would like to receive. Please can you clarify the following points in relation to question 2 of your request:

"2. Annual Scope 1 and 2 emissions (kg CO₂e), normalised per ML treated" for financial years 2010–2025.

- Our records currently date back to 2019/20 and include directly outsourced scope 3 emissions. We will review the availability of data dating back to 2010 to check that it is in a format that can be reported in a consistent manner. Please can you confirm that this approach is suitable for answering your request?*
- Please confirm if the intensity figure you are requesting relates to overall emissions for the business divided by the ML of wastewater treated or the wastewater related emissions divided by the ML of wastewater treated?"*

We have not yet had a response to our request for clarification, but have been able to determine with the business that the information that your requested is made publicly available via our website in our Annual Reports and Accounts. We have included this below for ease of reference and consider this may advice and assist with you request for information:

Financial Year (Years 2012/13 onwards commencing April 1st)	kgCO2e
2013	295
2014	320
2015	326
2016	265
2017	218
2018	235
2019	219
2020	136
2021	216
2022	212
2023	218
2024	179
2025	200

In consulting with the business, we have been able to establish we do not hold the information you require prior to 2013. As such for the purpose of EIR we applied exemption 12(4)(a), a public authority may refuse to disclose information to the extent that it does not hold that information when an applicant's request is received. The table above includes the publicly available data for operational emission intensity for wastewater emissions in kgCO₂e (kilogramme of carbon dioxide equivalent) per ML of wastewater treated on a Flow to Full treatment basis. The emissions include Scope 1 and 2 and directly outsourced scope 3 emissions which is how the water industry reports operational emissions. This data is from annual reports back to 2013/14 including historic data for 2012/13, earlier years are not available as detailed above.

We trust that the provision of this data satisfies your request. In accordance with the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, if you are not satisfied with this reply to your request you can ask for an internal review. A request for an internal review must be submitted within 40 working days by contacting the Data Protection Team.

Thank you for contacting Yorkshire Water.

Yours sincerely,

Data Protection Team

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