

## **Freedom of Information Request – Mileage Reimbursement Spend**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information Request, dated 29 March 2010, concerning SEEDA's mileage reimbursement spend for 2009.

Your request to SEEDA is:

*"I would like to find out the total casual mileage reimbursement spend for 2009 for SEEDA. I would be grateful if this could include the total number of miles reimbursed, the rate of reimbursement and the number of individual trips claims if possible."*

You later clarified your request in an email dated 1 April 2010 indicating that you would like to receive *"all the mileage reimbursement data as per miles driven, reimbursement rate in 2009."*

### **Information Held**

In response to your Freedom of Information Request we can disclose the following information:

<b>Mode of Transportation</b>	<b>Rate per mile</b>	<b>Amount spent</b>	<b>Number of miles</b>
Lease car	9p per mile	3,845.45	44,705
Lease car	10p per mile	1,470.94	15,780
Lease car	12p per mile	7,742.95	66,666
Lease car	11p per mile	2,424.31	22,844
Lease car	14p per mile	163.22	1,287
Lease car	13p per mile	5,210.46	41,214
Lease car	15p per mile	3,445.35	23,506
Lease car	17p per mile	2,251.53	13,516
Motorbike	travel by motorbike	15.11	64
Own car - over 10,000 miles	25p per mile	7,466.78	30,248
Own car - first 10,000 miles	40p per mile	223,299.02	565,692
<b>Total</b>		<b>257,335.12</b>	<b>825,522</b>

Note: Business mileage only is paid and reclaimable VAT is not included

SEEDA is committed to reducing business car journeys wherever possible. This is one of our environmental objectives and our travel policy emphasises the use of public transport as the first option. Nevertheless, the South East of England is a large region with a radial rail network. While the network facilitates easy travel between London and the South East, for journeys within the region car is often the only time- and cost-effective option. This is why our personnel need to drive a substantial number of miles every year to conduct SEEDA's business efficiently.

As we discussed in our correspondence on 1 April 2010, we are unable to give you the number of individual trips without incurring disproportionate cost and I understand that you are satisfied with that.