Dear Sir,

Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2016/1350

We refer to your e-mail dated 12/03/2016 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered under the above mentioned reference number.

You request the following documents: "on the topic of endocrine disruptors (also spelled: disrupters), all emails with in attachment scientific studies, or in general documents containing conclusions drawn by scientists or scientific organisations, sent to [...] the SG by third parties (between July 2013 and March 14th 2016). This request entails the emails and their attachments. When 'officials' are mentioned in this request this includes the Commissioners and their Cabinet members, as well as the Commission President and his Cabinet."

We regret to inform you that no documents were found that would correspond to the description given in your application.

Indeed, as specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation 1049/2001, the right of access as defined in that regulation applies only to existing documents in the possession of the institution.

Given that no such documents have been identified, the Commission is not in a position to handle your request.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation 1049/2001, you are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review this position.

Such a confirmatory application should be addressed within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter to the Secretary-General of the Commission at the following address: European Commission; Secretary-General; Transparency unit SG-B-4; BERL 5/282; B-1049 Bruxelles or by email to: sg-ace-doc@ec.europa.eu

Yours faithfully,

James Morrison