Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – AMBULANCE ACCIDENTS

I write in response to your email request of 18 January 2010 for information in relation to incidents during the last three financial years when an ambulance or NHS emergency vehicle was involved in a road accident.

I am advised by Mr James McCaffery, Director of Operations – NHS Lothian, that NHS Lothian does not hold any information relating to accidents involving ambulances or NHS emergency vehicles. This information would be held by the Ambulance Service. As per Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 formally I must inform you that NHS Lothian do not hold this information.

The Scottish Ambulance Service is a Special NHS Board in its own right and should therefore be able to respond to your request.

Please contact
Scottish Ambulance Service
National Headquarters
Tipperlinn Road
EDINBURGH EH10 5UU
Tel. 0131 446 7000
Fax 0131 446 7001
corporateaffairs@scotamb.co.uk

I hope the Ambulance Service can help you with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following
a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner.

If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to Mr I Whyte, FOI Reviewer at the address at the foot of this letter. The review will be undertaken by Mr Whyte as he was not involved in the original decision making process.

FOI responses (subject to redaction of personal information) may appear on NHS Lothian’s Freedom of Information website at :- http://www.nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk/your_rights/foi/foi_09.asp.

Yours sincerely

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