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Dear

## Freedom of Information: Right to know request

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act).

Your request has now been considered and the relevant information has been provided under each question sent in your original request.

Could you please tell me how many depositaries have applied to be licensed via the Variation of Permission (VoP) form for depositaries of AIF(s)?

35 firms have submitted a Variation of Permission application to become a depositary. However new authorisation and top-up applications also use the same VoP form, and so if your request was intended to include these applications then the figure is 44. N.B This is the total population as at 11 July 2014 and is not limited to pre 4 July 2014.

As it stands currently, only INDOS Financial and Northern Trust have been granted permission as of 4 July 2014. How many Variation of Permission (VoP) form for depositaries of AIF(s) are outstanding as of this date?

As at 4 July, 20 depositary applications made via a VoP form were outstanding. However new authorisation and top-up applications also use the same VoP form and so if your request was intended to include these applications then the figure is 29.

If you have any queries then please contact me.

Yours sincerely

Information Access Team