

Act (2005:181) on environmental information held by certain private-sector bodies

Section 2

Environmental information refers to information concerning,

1. the environment and factors that may affect the environment; and
2. how human health, safety, and living conditions as well as cultural environments and buildings and other constructions can be affected by the environment or by factors that can affect the environment.

Public Access to Information and Secrecy Act (2009:400)

Environmental Information

Chapter 10, Section 5, first paragraph

If classified information consists of environmental information as referred to in Section 2 of the Act (2005: 181) concerning environmental information held by certain individual bodies, confidentiality does not apply if it is obvious that the information has such significance from an environmental point of view that the interest of public knowledge of the information takes precedence over the interest which the confidentiality is to protect.

Second paragraph

Confidentiality in accordance with Chapters 19–40 does not apply to information regarding emissions into the environment.

Confidentiality in International Collaborations

Chapter 15, Section 1a, first paragraph

Confidentiality applies to information received by a government agency from a foreign body as a result of a binding EU legislative act or an agreement entered by the EU or an agreement approved by the Riksdag (the Swedish Parliament) with another state or with an international organisation, if it can be assumed that Sweden's possibility to participate in international cooperation referred to in the act or agreement is impaired if the information is disclosed.

Third paragraph

If confidentiality applies in accordance with the first or second paragraph, the provisions set out in Chapter 10, Sections 15–27 and 28, first paragraph allowing a breach of confidentiality are not applicable.