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Email:

Dear

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/17/04/10.

You requested the following information:

I would be most grateful if you would provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, details in respect to the contracts below, details of which can be found on the second page of this document:

The Provision of A&E Emergency Vehicle Conversion Services

The details we require are:

- **Suppliers who applied for inclusion on each framework/contract and were successful & not successful at the PQQ & ITT stages***

Please see the attached document which provided the names of bidders who were successful. I have to advise that I am unable to provide any further information on the basis of the exemption contained within s43 (2) of the FOI Act (Commercial Interests). The Trust accepts that there is a public interest in how public money is spent; however, there is also a need to withhold information that would prejudice the commercial interest of the Trust and/ or third parties. In assessing the public interest, the Trust takes the view that this would be the case in this instance. The Trust considers that this information, in conjunction with other information that might already or will be in the public domain, could lead to the commercial interests of the Trust together with the companies we use being adversely affected.

- **Contract values of each framework/contract (& any sub lots), year to date**

The framework is open to all NHS/ public sectors so contract values are unknown.

•Start date & duration of framework

Please see the attached document which shows this information.

•Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension?

No.

•Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed?

This question is not applicable.

•If no contract/ framework in place confirmation that these services are conducted in-house

This question is not applicable

•Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract or service provision

The Framework is managed by our Procurement department. All vehicles at SECamb are managed by our Fleet Department.

I hope you find this information useful.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Information Governance Manager via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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