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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to clinical waste contract.

You asked:

Q1: Annual tonnage data broken down by the following waste streams:

- Waste for incineration

- Alternative treatment

- Offensive waste

Q2. Contract start date

Q3. Contract term including any extensions

Q4. Annual contract value; overall and split by Waste Stream

Q5. Current service provider

Trust response:

Q1:

- Waste for incineration

259MT

- Alternative treatment

444MT

- Offensive waste 279MT

Q2. 01/09/2016

Q3. 5 Year with 12-month extension

Q4. Due to the imminent end of contract further information will not be released. The Trust is applying Section 43(2) FOIA which provides an exemption from disclosure of information which would or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it). This is a qualified exemption, and is therefore subject to the public interest test.

The Trust believes that the information requested contains details which would be likely to damage the companies ability to win new business opportunities for their services and to perform them within a commercially competitive market.

The Trust has concluded that the public interest in maintaining the exemption, and therefore protecting the commercial interests of the suppliers and preserving its ability to compete fairly in a commercial market, outweighs the public interest in disclosure in this case.

Supplier Transactions

All NHS bodies are required to publish details of individual invoices and transactions that are over £25,000. This is in response to guidance from HM Treasury which sets out the scope of the data. Details can be found on our website using the following link: <u>www.mtw.nhs.uk/about-us/our-quality-</u>story/finance/

Q5. Stericycle