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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 Blood Gas Analysis contracts

You asked:

Can you please provide the following for any Blood Gas Analysis contracts your trust holds that include analysers, consumables, reagents or accessories?

- 1. Contract end date*
- 2. Any extension options available*
- 3. Anticipated annual value of the contract*
- 4. Details of what is included*

Trust response:

1. 5year contract. Been in force for two years.
2. additional 2 years
3. In line with other FOI requests of a similar nature and in order to maintain the commercial interests of the company concerned, the Trust is willing to supply the name of the company and the level of service provided. Chrystal provide Werfen equipment to the Trust. 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: www.mtw.nhs.uk/about-us/our-quality-story/finance/

4. 16 gas analysers, 3 ACT units, maintenance