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Dear [REDACTED]

RE: SCCL-FOI-2024/25-113

Thank you for your FOI request received by the FOI office for the following information. Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and SCCL are able to provide a response in blue below:

- Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information relating to Renal Replacement Therapies Services, Technologies, and Consumables Reference: 2023/S 000-017117.
- 1. Framework prices for goods and services included in Lots 1.3 and 3.0
[Tender pricing provided for the framework for Lot 1.3 and 3 was based on products or specific scenarios to cover Services.](#)
- 2. If under Lot 3 there is a breakdown of the prices for individual elements e.g. home visit costs the prices for the individual elements
[The same applies to Lot 3, specifically in relation to the pricing request for individual elements. Lot 3 is a managed service of an in-centre Renal unit, based on a specific scenario. Pricing for customers will be a result of a further competition, which is bespoke to each authority dependant on their individual need. Home visit costs do not apply for this Lot.](#)
- 3. The details of any financial penalties that can be imposed on suppliers under Lot 3, the amounts of any penalties and the description of when these can be imposed.
[We do not set or apply any penalties at a framework level, as these are seen as punitive measures and are not permitted under the current procurement legislation \(PCR 2015 - due to the timing of our Framework award\). The Trusts may however, set out within their contracts, any remedial measures, if the supplier\(s\) does not meet the required KPI's; these will be embedded in the customer/supplier contract if applicable.](#)

[We are unable to provide further detail on the information you have requested because it is exempt under Section 43\(2\) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This section of the Act allows us to withhold information if disclosing it would prejudice the commercial interests of any person or organisation, including our own.](#)

[The information that has been requested includes details that are considered commercially sensitive since it could unfairly impact competitive Suppliers within the Renal Market.](#)

Providing this information may adversely affect our ability to maintain trust and integrity with our Suppliers and our own competitiveness within the market.

In line with the requirements of the act, we have conducted a public interest test to balance the benefits of disclosing the information against the potential harm caused by disclosure. Whilst we recognise that transparency and accountability are in the public interest, we believe that these interests are outweighed by the potential harm that could result from releasing the information.

We hope that this response addresses your request. However, if you are dissatisfied with this response, you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to the postal or e-mail addresses above, quoting the reference number above. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

As part of any internal review the handling of your information request will be reassessed by a member of SCCL staff who was not involved in providing you with this response. If you remain dissatisfied after this internal review, you will have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act.

If you require any further information do not hesitate to contact the FOI team.

Yours sincerely

FOI Team

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