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Mr A Hyams  
Sent by email

Dear Mr Hyams

**Freedom of Information Act - Request for Information**  
**Our Reference: FOI 1309**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 19 March 2013. You asked:

*“Andy Hyams [request-153748-906483ae@whatdotheyknow.com](mailto:request-153748-906483ae@whatdotheyknow.com)*

*In your response to Mr Frank Zola's Freedom of Information Act request [http://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/monster\\_universal\\_jobmatch\\_contr](http://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/monster_universal_jobmatch_contr), you explained that there were two tender processes run, one on 1 March 2011 and a second on 19 July 2011. I assume that the scores and prices you provided to Mr Zola related to the second tender on 19 July 2011.*

*I would like more information about the first tender on 1 March 2011.*

**[1]** *Please can you tell me the scores of the bidders from the first tender*  
**[2]** *together with the values of the tenders submitted by the four bidders: Methods Consulting Limited, Steria Limited, Hewlett Packard Limited (UK) and Monster Worldwide Limited.*

*As you have disclosed this information for the second tender process, there does not appear to be any reason for withholding this information in respect of the first tender process. There surely cannot be any justification for applying a section 43 exemption for commercial sensitivity in relation to an aborted procurement process. Indeed, I believe there is a strong public interest in knowing what changed between the first tender and the second tender”.*

Please find the information as requested from the tenders submitted 1 March 2011

**[1]**

The evaluation score for Methods Consulting Limited was	83 out of 100
The evaluation score for Steria Limited was	81 out of 100
The evaluation score for Monster Worldwide Limited was	66 out of 100
The evaluation score for Hewlett Packard was	61 out of 100

**[2]**

The value of the tender submitted by Methods Consulting Limited was	£19,952,786.13
The value of the tender submitted by Steria Limited was	£14,998,351.64
The value of the tender submitted by Monster Worldwide Limited was	£30,692,936.09
The value of the tender submitted by Hewlett Packard was	£20,785,556.41

As you mentioned in your request, the scores and prices we provided to Mr Zola related to the second tender on 19 July 2011, and for the sake of completeness we set out that information again here:

The three organisations who submitted tenders on the 19 July 2011 were Methods Consulting Limited, Steria Limited and Monster Worldwide Limited.

The evaluation score for Monster Worldwide Limited was	94 out of 100
The evaluation score for Methods Consulting Limited was	88 out of 100
The evaluation score for Steria Limited was	78 out of 100.

The value of the winning tender submitted by Monster Worldwide Limited was £15.11m.  
The value of the tender submitted by Methods Consulting Limited was £20.44m.  
The value of the tender submitted by Steria Limited was £14.45m.

The tenders submitted by suppliers on 1 March 2011 were no longer valid in the evaluation process of the tenders submitted on 19 July 2011.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact us quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely

## CD Communications Team

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