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Dear Mr Johnson,

Freedom of Information Act Request – F0015649

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FOI) request of 12 January 2018. You requested the following information:

Can you please send me the contractual agreement between Dft/any subsidiary company and Arup Group, Ernst & Young and SNC-Lavalin Rail & Transit in relation to carrying out activities associated with the Operator of Last Resort.

Your request has been considered under the FOI Act 2000. I can confirm that the Department for Transport (DfT) has completed its search for information and that the DfT holds information that is relevant to your request.

I enclose with this reply a copy of the Section 30 Resilience Specialist Technical Advice for Rail (STAR) Work Package Order between DfT and Ove Arup Partners Ltd. This incorporates the 2 other firms contracted by Arup & Partners Ltd to provide advice under this contract.

The names and direct contact details of external stakeholders have been redacted from the attached information in reliance on the third party personal information exemption at section 40(2)&(3) of the FOI Act 2000 (see Annex A for the full text of the exemption). These individuals are not in public facing roles and therefore have a reasonable expectation that their names and direct contact details will not be placed into the public domain. To do so would be unfair and would contravene the first data protection principle of fairness.

If you are unhappy with the way the DfT has handled your request or with the decisions made in relation to your request you may complain within two calendar months of the date of this letter by writing to the DfT's Information Rights Unit at:

Zone D/04
Ashdown House
Sedlescombe Road North
Hastings
East Sussex TN37 7GA

E-mail: FOI-Advice-Team-DFT@dft.gsi.gov.uk

Please see attached details of DfT's complaints procedure and your right to complain to the Information Commissioner.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

Michael Evans

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Your right to complain to DfT and the Information Commissioner

You have the right to complain within two calendar months of the date of this letter about the way in which your request for information was handled and/or about the decision not to disclose all or part of the information requested. In addition a complaint can be made that DfT has not complied with its FOI publication scheme.

Your complaint will be acknowledged and you will be advised of a target date by which to expect a response. Initially your complaint will be re-considered by the official who dealt with your request for information. If, after careful consideration, that official decides that his/her decision was correct, your complaint will automatically be referred to a senior independent official who will conduct a further review. You will be advised of the outcome of your complaint and if a decision is taken to disclose information originally withheld this will be done as soon as possible.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Annex A

Fol section 40: full text of exemption

- 1. Any information to which a request for information relates is exempt information if it constitutes personal data of which the applicant is the data subject.
- 2. Any information to which a request for information relates is also exempt information if:
 - (a) it constitutes personal data which do not fall within subsection (1), and
 - (b) either the first or the second condition below is satisfied
- 3. The first condition is:
 - (a) in a case where the information falls within any of paragraphs (a) to (d) of the definition of "data" in section 1(1) of the Data Protection Act 1998, that the disclosure of the information to a member of the public otherwise than under this Act would contravene:
 - (i) any of the data protection principles, or(ii) section 10 of that Act (right to prevent processing likely to cause damage or distress), and
 - (b) in any other case, that the disclosure of the information to a member of the public otherwise than under this Act would contravene any of the data protection principles if the exemptions in section 33A(1) of the Data Protection Act 1998 (which relate to manual data held by public authorities) were disregarded.
- 4. The second condition is that by virtue of any provision of Part IV of the Data Protection Act 1998 the information is exempt from section 7(1)(c) of that Act (data subject's right of access to personal data).
- 5. The duty to confirm or deny:
 - (a) does not arise in relation to information which is (or if it were held by the public authority would be) exempt information by virtue of subsection (1), and (b) does not arise in relation to other information if or to
 - the extent that either:
 - (i) the giving to a member of the public of the confirmation or denial that would have to be given to comply with section 1(1)(a) would (apart from this Act)

contravene any of the data protection principles or section 10 of the Data Protection Act 1998 or would do so if the exemptions in section 33A(1) of that Act were disregarded, or

- (ii) by virtue of any provision of Part IV of the Data Protection Act 1998 the information is exempt from section 7(1)(a) of that Act (data subject's right to be informed whether personal data being processed).
- 6. In determining for the purposes of this section whether anything done before 24 October 2007 would contravene any of the data protection principles, the exemptions in Part III of Schedule 8 to the Data Protection Act 1998 shall be disregarded.

7. In this section:

"the data protection principles" means the principles set out in Part I of Schedule 1 to the Data Protection Act 1998, as read subject to Part II of that Schedule and section 27(1) of that Act;

"data subject" has the same meaning as in section 1(1) of that Act;

"personal data" has the same meaning as in section 1(1) of that Act.