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Our Ref: FOI2021/04700

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Dear John Slater,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FoI) request received on 20 January 2021.

You asked for:

"On 30 August 2019 I submitted a request for information seeking the current effective PIP contract between the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions and Atos for Lot 1.

URL: https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/pip_current_effective_contract_w

The Department refused relying on section 22. It stated that a new redacted version of the PIP contract in question would be available by spring 2020. I accepted the Department's refusal as I believed the timescale was reasonable for the work involved.

As we are now approach spring 2021, I believe that the Department should be able to disclose the current redacted versions of all 3 PIP contracts it holds.

RFI1 – Please disclose the most current redacted versions of the 3 PIP contracts (Lot 1, Lot 2 and Lot 3) it has with Atos & Capita. Please note I understand that these may not include all the changes that have been agreed over recent months.

If the Department is unsure about the scope of my RFI it is required under the FOIA to seek clarification."

DWP Response

We can confirm that the Department holds this information. However, the information is exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act because the information is reasonably accessible to you, as it is already in the public domain.

However, to be helpful, you can find the information you seek at:

Lot 1

https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/cbf3a4bf-b67a-403b-90bc-7345571cefb9

Lot 2

https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/735baefc-0680-4835-aef9-b1bb39b9ba8a

Lot 3

https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/b39f93fc-8217-4604-9d11-6a6858612020

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

Yours sincerely,

DWP Central Freedom of Information Team Department for Work and Pensions

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not happy with this response you may request an internal review by e-mailing freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gov.uk or by writing to: DWP Central Fol Team, Caxton House, 6-12 Tothill Street, London, SW1H 9NA.

Any review request should be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally, the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Website: ICO Contact Information or telephone 0303 123 1113.