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Mrs Franklin (sent by email)

6<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Email: governance@nepo.org

Dear Mrs Franklin,

Re: Freedom of Information request - GRI - Neutral Vendor

In response to your clarification dated 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2019, I can confirm the following point.

Question 6 - What are the total fees GRI have received from agency staff suppliers for the above period?

I have undertaken an internal review to reconsider your request, after reviewing this request I can confirm that NEPO do not hold information requested as per this question. Commercial Agreements between GRI and their associated supply chain are commercially sensitive between both parties. NEPO are not party to these contracts and therefore do not hold information in respect of agency staff fees paid to GRI by their suppliers.

Question 9 - What is the total value of rebate which NEPO have received from GRI for the above period? (November 2018 to November 2019)

£165,899. Note NEPO are a shared service owned by the twelve North East Local Authorities and the collected rebate is reinvested back into the North East region.

## You have a right of appeal

You may apply under Section 50 of the Act to the Information Commissioner at the address given below

Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

For a decision whether, in any specified respect, a request for information made by you to the Department/office has been dealt with in accordance with the requirements of Part 1 of the Act.

The Information Commissioner shall consider the matter fully and make a fresh decision.

**Yours Sincerely** 

North East Procurement Organisation Governance Team