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Our ref: FOI/17/20/BOLTON

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Dear Ralph,

Re: Your Freedom of Information Act request

On 21 February 2020 the Government Legal Department (GLD) received the following request from you:

Under Fol, please could you tell me:

- How many open positions you have for "inside IR35" workers/contractors? (ie. how many positions are you advertising but so far have not found suitable people to fill)
- How many filled "inside IR35" positions do you have? (ie. how many people are working for you with "inside IR35" conditions)

You're welcome to use any time in the recent past for these calculations, although the more recent the better, please (and please tell me what time you used). The length of tenure, either expected or worked is not important - just the number of positions is enough for me.

For example:

"On January 22nd, we had 12 open inside-IR35 positions, and 5 filled".

GLD's response is as follows:-

1. How many open positions you have for "inside IR35" workers/contractors? (ie. how many positions are you advertising but so far have not found suitable people to fill)

GLD does not have posts identified as being for "inside IR35" workers/contractors - this type of worker is brought in either to fill a short-term position due to a peak of work, or where we are in the position of advertising for a permanent member of staff and we are filling the vacancy whilst we await the conclusion of the recruitment process.

2. How many filled "inside IR35" positions do you have? (ie. how many people are working for you with "inside IR35" conditions)

As at 18/03/2020 GLD has 268 workers in scope of IR35.



If you are unhappy with the level of service you have received in relation to your request you may ask for an internal review within two months of the receipt of this response. If you wish to do this you should contact me at the above address. It will help ensure that your complaint is properly considered if when requesting an internal review you also set out the reasons why you are unhappy with the service you have received.

If you are not content with the outcome of an 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
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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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