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Dear Harrison Riseborough

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your email/dated 21st October 2021 requesting information about Penetration Vulnerability Testing Services Frameworks.

I am writing to advise you that regretfully, I cannot provide the information you requested as the Northern Lighthouse Board (NLB) does not hold this information. As an Arms Length Body (ALB) of the Department for Transport (DfT) NLB are users of various frameworks including those provided by Crown Commercial Services (CCS), we have no involvement in the creation/development of any of the framework agreements or the selection of successful companies to act as suppliers under those frameworks.

We have provided the answers below to your questions based solely upon NLB's [procurement of Penetration/Vulnerability Testing Services](#) under the Crown Commercial Services (CCS) Framework RM3764iii - Cyber Security Services 3 - DPS Framework Agreement, to which your letter refers.

You requested:

For suppliers who applied for inclusion on each framework and were successful & not successful at the PQQ & ITT stages.

1. Details of Suppliers who applied for inclusion on each framework and were successful & not successful at the PQQ & ITT stages.

Response

NLB invited responses to our requirement under the above mentioned Framework, all suppliers that had been approved by CCS were invited to respond. Thirty Seven in total, we received five replies. NLB was not involved in the PQQ process to place suppliers on the framework and did not use a PQQ as part the procurement process.

No	Framework Suppliers bidding for the work	Result
1	Commissum Associates Limited	Un-successful
2	Prism Infosec	Successful - Awarded 23/07/2020
3	QinetiQ	Un-successful
4	Bridewell Consulting	Un-successful
5	NTA Monitor Ltd. t/a Intertek NTA	Un-successful
6	Pen Test Partners LLP	Un-successful



2. Actual spend on this framework (and any sub lots), from the start of the contract to the current date.

Response

NLB has placed an order for £9200.00, this will be renewed on an annual basis to meet our requirements for the duration of the contract

3. Start date & duration of framework

Response

The Contract period with NLB - 31 July 2020 to 30 July 2024

I hope you find the information provided useful. If however you are dissatisfied with this response, wish to request an internal review of our decision, or want to make a complaint about how your request has been handled, you should email , within 40 working days of the date of this letter, clearly marking your email 'FAO the Director of Business Services' at enquiries@nlb.org.uk. Due to limited onsite working as a result of COVID please do not send your request to us in hard copy.

If following internal review you remain dissatisfied with our response and wish to request a further review of our decision, or to make a complaint about how your request has been handled, you should write to the Information Commissioner. Please note that due to the Coronavirus the ICO's offices will also be closed for the foreseeable future, they too are unable to receive correspondence via post during these current emergency arrangements, however contact arrangements are available via their [Contact Page](https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/) (<https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/>) on the [ICO website](https://ico.org.uk) (<https://ico.org.uk>).

Yours sincerely,

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