Annex C

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<tr><td>Request Ref:</td><td>DoF/ 2026-0131</td><td>Requester:</td><td>As address</td><td>Address:</td><td></td></tr>
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<tr><td>Copy of successful tender and final pricing of successful bidder.</td><td>Section 43 (2) Commercial interests.

Information is exempt if its disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, would or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it).</td><td colspan="2">• To show compliance with the FOI Act by disclosing information held by the Department as a Public Authority.

• There is a general public interest in promoting openness, accountability and transparency in government, and in supporting public understanding of how decisions are made.

• To support transparency in public sector procurement by disclosing information about tender competitions, thereby demonstrating that procurement processes deliver value for money and are carried out fairly and in line with established procedures.</td><td colspan="2">i. The disclosure of this information would undermine the supplier’s confidence in applying for future public sector tender competitions.

ii. Disclosure of commercially sensitive information could discourage suppliers from participating in future competitions, as public disclosure may erode confidence among shareholders and employees. It could also negatively impact their commercial position with their other clients.

iii. A reduction in supplier confidence to bid for public sector competitions would diminish market competitiveness and make it more challenging for the public sector to deliver value for money outcomes.</td></tr>
<tr><td colspan="6">PUBLIC INTEREST DECISION: After weighing up the competing public interest considerations, it is reasonable in all the circumstances that the information should be withheld from disclosure. Disclosure would or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it). The public interest in maintaining the exemption therefore outweighs the public interest in disclosure.</td></tr>
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