FOI Release
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Title: Mobile phone contracts 2015 - 2018

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Information request
Information about the organisation's mobile phones
1. Network Provider(s) - Please provide me with the network provider name
2. Annual Average Spend - Can you please provide me with the average annual spend over the 3 years. If this is a new contract can you please provide the estimated annual spend.
3. Number of Users - Number of connections for each network provider.
4. Duration of the contract - please state if the contract also includes contract extensions for each provider.
5. Contract Start Date
6. Contract Expiry Date
7. Contract Review Date - Please can you provide me with a date on when the organisation plans to review this contract.
8. The person within the organisation responsible for this particular contract
9. If this contract was awarded within the past three months can you please provide me with a shortlist of suppliers that bid on the contract?

Information released
1. O2
2. Withheld under Section 43 of the FOI Act - Commercial Interests.
3. 0 as no services have been procured or transferred yet
4. 3 years
5. Q3 2015
6. Q 3 2018
7. No review date has been set
8. BIS Telecoms Manager, EvolveHub@bis.gsi.gov.uk
9. The short list of suppliers was O2, EE and Vodafone

For Question 2 of your request, we can confirm that the Department holds information falling within the terms of your request**.** This information is exempt from disclosure under section 43 of the Act and is therefore being withheld. The use of Section 43 is subject to a public interest test: in this context, we recognise that there is a general public interest in the disclosure of information as greater

transparency makes Government more accountable. Having considered the public interest, we consider that the public interest in disclosing this information is outweighed by the public interest considerations in favour of withholding the information. The Department's decision is therefore to withhold the information.