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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 11 May requesting the following information:

For the years 2013 and 2014:

- 1. What was the liability for REME SSgts, WO2s and WO1s?**
- 2. For the WO2 and WO1 posts, what number were reserved for Artificer trained personnel only?**
- 3. How many REME WO2s and WO1s applied for a LE commission in the REME?**
- 4. Of those, how many were Artificers?**
- 5. How many were successful (by rank)?**
- 6. How many of those selected for LE commissioning (above) were Artificers?**
- 7. What percentage of REME LE officers successfully transferred to a Reg C(LE) or Reg C (DE) from an IRC(LE)?**

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and the information you have requested is shown at Annex A.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Team, 1st Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

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Yours sincerely

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Annex A

Questions 1 and 2.

Employment	2013 REME Liability			2014 REME Liability		
	WO1	WO2	SSgt	WO1	WO2	SSgt
Artificers	103	139		108	156	
TOTAL	232	381	747	228	383	712

Questions 3/4/5/6.

Year	Total REME WO1/WO2 Applicants for LE Commission	Artificer WO1/WO2 Applicants for LE Commission	Successful by Rank		Artificers Successful
			WO1	WO2	
2013	37	33	13	Fewer than 5 ¹	15
2014	41	38	18	Fewer than 5	17

Question 7.

Year	Type of Conversion	% Applicants successfully transferred ²
2013	IRC(LE)-RegC(LE)	15%
2013	IRC(LE)-RegC(DE)	0%
2014	IRC(LE)-RegC(LE)	34%
2014	IRC(LE)-RegC(DE)	50%

¹ The number is sufficiently small that National Statistics rounding conventions require it to be categorised as between one and five to prevent inadvertent identification of individuals.

² i.e. those who were selected and who accepted the conversion of commission.