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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 22 September 2015 requesting the following information:

"Please can you tell me how much the Atomic Weapons Establishment (AWE Plc) has spent each year (for the past 10 years) on contracts with parent companies (including labour costs of shareholder personnel working at AWE and the T&S/expenses/relocation costs of those personnel from share holder companies)

Please can you arrange the data by year and by shareholder company e.g.:

Serco 2014 £k on contracts, £k on Serco personnel labour costs working at AWE, £k on Serco personnel expenses whilst working at AWE Plc

Same data for Lockheed Martin

Same data for Jacobs

Same data for BNFL"

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed, and I can confirm that the MOD does not hold information in scope of your request.

Under Section 16(1) of the Act, public authorities have a duty to provide advice and assistance to requesters, so it may be helpful if I provide some additional clarification.

The Atomic Weapons Establishment (AWE) is a Government Owned Contractor Operated establishment. The MOD's contract is with AWE Management Limited (AWEML), a consortium comprising three equal partners – Serco Group plc, the Lockheed Martin Corporation and Jacobs Engineering Group. A separate company, AWE plc, is responsible for the day-to-day running of the AWE sites. This company employs the AWE workforce and is owned by AWEML. Neither AWEML nor AWE plc is a public authority as defined in Schedule 1 of the FOI Act and are therefore not subject to the requirements of the Act.

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The information you have requested constitutes internal commercial information of AWE. You may find it helpful to note that AWE plc publishes the value of related party transactions (i.e. trading with parent companies) on an annual basis as part of its statutory accounts which are available at:

<http://wck2.companieshouse.gov.uk/wcframe?name=accessCompanyInfo>. AWE plc's company number is 02763902. AWEML's company number is 03664571. These do not, however, provide the full level of detail you seek.

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 Compliance 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.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely

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