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Dear [REDACTED]

Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Thank you for your email of 3 March 2024 in which you requested from the Insolvency Service (the agency):

"I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information:

- Number of HR1 forms submitted by employers in England, Scotland and Wales during each month from January 2023 up to and including the end of February 2025. Please provide a figure per month in the form of an Excel spreadsheet.*
- Number of proposed dismissals submitted by employers in England, Scotland and Wales during each month from January 2023 up to and including the end of February 2025. Please provide a figure per month in the form of an Excel spreadsheet.*

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of the compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

If you can identify any ways that my request could be refined I would be grateful for any further advice and assistance"

Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

I can confirm the agency holds the information that you have requested. This information is available to you at the website link below. This link includes the number of HR1 forms received, the number of potential redundancies and the unique number of employers submitting HR1 forms. It covers England, Scotland and Wales and includes monthly data from January 2020.

Management information on Advanced Notification of Redundancy Scheme - GOV.UK

Because this information is reasonably accessible to you the agency is not obliged to provide you with a separate copy of the information pursuant to the exemption at section 21 of FOIA.

With regards to the data for February 2025, I can confirm the agency holds the information that you have requested however, the information you have requested is exempt from disclosure under section 22(1) of the Act and the information is therefore refused.

Section 22(1) Information is exempt information if:

- (a) The information is held by the public authority with a view to its publication, by the authority or any other person, at some future date (whether determined or not),
- (b) The information was already held with a view to such publication at the time when the request for information was made, and
- (c) It is reasonable in all the circumstances that the information should be withheld from disclosure until the date referred to in paragraph (a)

The information that you have requested is intended for future publication soon.

In applying this exemption, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information to you now. This is because the information is due for publication imminently.

Complaints

If you are not satisfied with the response we have provided to you and would like us to reconsider our decision by way of an internal review (IR), please contact our Information Rights team within 40 working days of this letter at foi@insolvency.gov.uk or by post at:

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You also have the right to contact the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) if you wish for them to investigate any complaint you may have regarding our handling of your request. However, please note that the ICO is likely to expect an IR to have been completed in the first instance.

Kind regards

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/insolvency-service/about/personal-information-charter>