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**PQ 22002/22** *To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 827 of 5 April 2022, the details of potential conflicts of interest declared by HSE managers in respect of procurement or rent of property by the HSE in each of the years 2016 to 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter.* -Neasa Hourigan

Dear Deputy,

I refer to your recent parliamentary question which was sent to the HSE for response.

Any employee in any grade where the minimum point of the salary scale applicable to that grade is equal to or greater than the first point of the Grade VIII salary scale (i.e. €70,373 as at 1 October 2021) occupies a "Designated Position of Employment" under the Ethics in Public Office Act 1995 and these employees are required to file a Statement of Interests or alternatively a NIL Statement on an annual basis. It is a contractual as well as a statutory obligation to disclose any interest which could materially influence a designation employee in the performance of their role in the HSE.

A designated employee is also required to review all registrable interests held by the person, spouse, civil partner, child or child of a spouse and to disclose them if they could, at any stage in the future, materially influence him/her in the performance of his/her functions in his/her current position where such performance could so affect those interests as to confer on, or withhold from, the person, or the spouse or civil partner or child, a substantial benefit.

These Statements of Interests are made confidentially to the CEO of the HSE. The information obtained in the HSE's Annual Statement of Interests is for the purpose of verifying compliance with the Ethics in Public Office legislation. Section 35(1) of the Ethics Act prohibits the disclosure of information obtained under the Act. The HSE has a duty of confidence to ensure that the information, associated documentation and records are used only for the purpose for which they were obtained.

Yours sincerely,

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