



2 February 2023

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Dear s 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email of 12 December 2022 making a request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) from Fire Emergency New Zealand. It appears your request was primarily for:

*“Property Council New Zealand would like to see information on agencies who own building stock and either insure (or don’t insure) and therefore subject (or not subject) to payment of FENZ levies.”*

As you are likely aware, your request was transferred from Fire Emergency New Zealand to Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga – Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (the Ministry) on 13 January 2023.

On 24 January 2023, the Ministry sought to refine the request regarding the timeframe of the information you wished to request. At this time, the Ministry has not received a response and has therefore crafted a response based on the FENZ levy amount paid in the last financial year.

The Ministry has identified one FENZ levy that the Ministry has paid as a part of our insurance policy invoices. Since 1 July 2021, the FENZ levy for Ministry insured building stock is \$15,999. The Ministry has not included policy cover costs for office premises or motor vehicle insurance costs in the above total amount.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman’s website at: [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

As part of our ongoing commitment to openness and transparency, the Ministry proactively releases information and documents that may be of interest to the public. As such, this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on our website.

Yours sincerely

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