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15 October 2025

Dear [REDACTED]

Re: Official Information Act Request: EECA being Fuel Agnostic

Thank you for your letter on Thursday 09 October in which you requested information under the Official Information Act 1982. You requested:

*“The March 25, 2025 board paper “Update on EECA Statement of Performance Expectations (SPE) 2025/26” states “The Minister has also reinforced the Government’s position that interventions should be market-led and focus on overcoming market barriers, with strong value for money and a fuel-agnostic approach”.*

*I request all information where the minister has communicated this position, with a focus on communications relating to fuel agnosticism. Where this position was communicated verbally, please provide the time, date and location of the communication and any notes, minutes or agendas from the relevant meeting(s).”*

We have conducted a search of information that EECA holds on file and can provide the following information:

On 12 February 2025 at 12.45pm, EECA officials held their first meeting with the incoming Minister for Energy at his office in Parliament’s Executive Wing. In this meeting the Minister briefly expressed his expectation that EECA should continue to operate in accordance with the Government’s position that EECA’s activity should be market-led, fuel agnostic, and provide value for money.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

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Yours sincerely



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