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10 September 2021

Dear [REDACTED]

Re: OIA request – Arup report on public EV charging

Thank you for your enquiry of 19 August 2021 in which you request:

- *A copy of the report done by Arup NZ on the public charging road map for light vehicles*

The requested document is being withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), which relates to maintaining the constitutional convention protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials. The requested report informs advice that will soon be considered by Ministers.

I am also refusing the request under section 18(d) of the Act as the requested report will soon be made publicly available. Following consideration by Ministers, the report will be published on the EECA website, likely in October 2021.

I do not consider that withholding this report is outweighed by other considerations that render it desirable, in the public interest, to make that information available.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act to make a complaint to the Ombudsman about the decision to withhold information. You can do this by email to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by writing to the Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10-152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely

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Andrew Caseley
Chief Executive