

19 October 2022

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Dear Shanna

Official Information Request Our Ref: OIA 2022-0160

I refer to your official information request received on 8 October 2022 where you asked the following:

"Regarding companies and organisations who are contracted by the government to provide services to the public- how many of these workers are being paid less than the 1 September 2022 Living wage of \$23.65?"

Our response

Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission (the Commission) does not hold this information for the whole of the Public Service. You would need to request this information directly from each individual agency you are seeking the information from. Accordingly, we are refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 on the grounds that the information requested is not held by the Commission.

In respect of the Commission, we have no contractors employed by the Commission who are being paid less than the 1 September 2022 living wage rate of \$23.65 per hour.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Ministerial. Services@publicservice.govt.nz.

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 or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that we intend to publish this letter (with your personal details removed) on the Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission's website.

Yours sincerely

Nicky Dirks

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