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Mike Hunua

By Email: fyi-request-20845-71b76b52@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Hunua,

Official Information Act request – 13 private sector contractors referenced in February media release by Minister Clark.

We refer to your request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (**OIA**), received by Crown Infrastructure Partners (**CIP**) on 13 October 2022, as below:

Can you provide which area will be added to or upgraded relating back to this press release from the Minister Hon Dr David Clark in February 2022

https://www.crowninfrastructure.govt.nz/2022/02/23/homes-businesses-to-benefit-from-upgrade-to-rural-broadband/

Could you also provide who the 13 private sector contractors are referenced in this link and what they are each providing to the broadband infrastructure.

Could areas or maps of further rollouts also be provided if available

The following areas were included in the announcement by Minister Clark in February 2022:

Lightwire	Waikato, Bay of Plenty	Fixed wireless
Ultimate Broadband	Canterbury	Fixed wireless
Unifone	Otago	Fixed wireless
AmuriNet	Canterbury	Fibre and fixed wireless
Gisborne Net	Tarawhiti	Fibre and fixed wireless
Primo Wireless	Taranaki	Fixed wireless
Spark Digital	National	Fixed & Mobile broadband
Vodafone	National	Fixed & Mobile broadband
Tuatahi	Waikato, Bay of Plenty	Fibre
MAT Net	Canterbury	Fixed wireless
Kiwi Wifi	Tasman	Fixed wireless
Wifi Connect	Bay of Plenty	Fixed wireless
Northpower Fibre	Northland	Fibre

The announcement in question referred to Round One of funding. Since the release, there have been additional contractors added to those listed providing coverage for Round One, and those awarded contracts in Round Two.

These have not yet been announced, but will be announced in due course by Minister Clark. We are therefore refusing this aspect of the request on the basis of section 18(d) of the OIA, that the information will soon be publicly available.

CIP notes that you are entitled to make a complaint to the Office of the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the OIA.

Yours sincerely

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