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Tēnā koe Cody,

I refer to your email on 1 February 2024 requesting under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) asking for the following:

*“Please confirm the RUC treatment for electric motorbikes, scooters and “paxsters” post-31 March 2024”*

*“Please confirm the RUC treatment for diesel hybrid electric vehicles post-31 March 2024.”*

Very light electric vehicles will be exempt from road user charges (RUC). Further details will be provided when legislation is introduced to the House.

Plug-in hybrid diesel-electric vehicles with a gross vehicle mass of 3.5 tonnes or less, and with motive power wholly or partly derived from an external source of electricity, will be subject to RUC from 1 April 2024. Non-plug-in diesel hybrids are already subject to RUC.

You may be interested to know that the government has released advice on road user charges for electric vehicles. The information can be found at [www.transport.govt.nz/area-of-interest/revenue/road-user-charges-system/](http://www.transport.govt.nz/area-of-interest/revenue/road-user-charges-system/). As the information publicly accessible, section 18(d) of the Act applies which provides a request may be refused where “the information requested is or will soon be publicly available.

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

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Nāku noa, nā



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