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Ref: DOIA 2324-2417

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Tēnā koe Stephen Prendergast

Thank you for your email of 3 May 2024 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

Please supply the letter and surrounding correspondence between MBIE / Calibre and WHL describing in the item 15 of the Cabinet paper titled

Decisions on the Future of Ruapehu Alpine Lifts Limited In Liquidation and Receivership - Post March 2024.

Please also supply the MBIE and Calibre analysis of the WHL proposal(s) prior to the letter.

Below is a schedule of documents that are within scope of your request:

Date	Title	Type	Decision
14/12/2023	WHL / Whakapapa	Email	Withheld, 9(2)(b)(ii) and 9(2)(ba)(i)
14/12/2023	WHL FY24 FY25 Summary 27.11.23 FINAL_CP 13Dec23	Attachment	Withheld, 9(2)(b)(ii)
15/12/2023	RE: RAL	Email	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i) and 9(2)(g)(i)
15/12/2023	The South Island Office Ltd Letter 15.12.2023	Attachment	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i) and 9(2)(g)(i)
15/12/2023	RE: RAL	Email	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i) and 9(2)(g)(i)
15/12/2023	RE: RAL	Email	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i) and 9(2)(g)(i)
15/12/2023	15 December 2023 - Letter to the South Island Office Limited (SIO)_CP	Attachment	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i) and 9(2)(g)(i)

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15/12/2023	15 December 2023 - Letter to the South Island Office Limited (SIO)_CP	Attachment	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i) and 9(2)(g)(i)
18/12/2023	RE: MBIE response to Whakapapa Ski Area offer	Email	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i)
6/12/2024	MBIE response to Whakapapa Ski Area Offer	Attachment	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i)
15/12/2024	MBIE response to Whakapapa Ski Area Offer	Attachment	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i)
18/12/2023	FW: WHL Whakapapa Transaction	Email	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i)
18/12/2023	WHL FY24 FY25 Summary 27.11.23 FINAL	Attachment	Withheld, 9(2)(b)(ii)
18/12/2023	WHL Kanoa Term Sheet 28.11.23	Attachment	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i)
18/12/2023	Whakapapa offer Final 28.11.23	Attachment	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i)
18/12/2023	RE: WHL Whakapapa Transaction	Email	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i)
18/12/2023	RE: MBIE response to Whakapapa Ski Area offer	Email	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i)
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18/12/2023	Whakapapa offer Final 28.11.23	Attachment	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i)
18/12/2023	6 December 2023 - Letter to the South Island Office Limited (SIO)	Attachment	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i)
18/12/2023	Re MBIE response to Whakapapa Ski Area offer	Attachment	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i)
18/12/2023	WHL revised offer (003)	Attachment	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i)
20/12/2023	RE: MBIE response to Whakapapa Ski Area offer	Email	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i)
20/12/2023	The South Island Office Ltd Letter 20.12.2023	Attachment	Withheld, 9(2)(ba)(i)

Please note the documents within scope of your request are being withheld in full under the following sections of the Act:

- 9(2)(b)(ii), to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information;
- 9(2)(ba)(i), to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar

information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied; and

- 9(2)(g)(i), to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to Ministers of the Crown or members of an organisation or officers and employees of any public service agency or organisation in the course of their duty.

I do not consider that the withholding of this information is outweighed by public interest considerations in making the information available.

Please note that this response and enclosed documents, with your personal details removed, may be published on the MBIE website: www.mbie.govt.nz/document-library/.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, or if you require any further assistance, please contact OIA@mbie.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.

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