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Tēnā koe Caleb

Thank you for your email of 19 May 2024 to the Department of Corrections – Ara Poutama Aotearoa, requesting information about heat pumps in prisons. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

As an organisation, we have a responsibility to ensure the health and safety of our staff and the people we manage. Because the sites we manage across the country are subject to significantly different climate and weather conditions, we have installed heat pumps in some prisons for use in summer during extreme temperatures as well as winter.

You requested:

I am writing to request information under the Official Information Act regarding the installation of heat pumps in New Zealand prisons over the past 12 months. Specifically, I would like to know the following details:

The total number of heat pumps installed in New Zealand prisons during the specified period.

A breakdown of the installations by location (i.e., staff areas, prisoner areas, and visit areas).

The number of heat pumps installed in each of the above-mentioned areas.

Please provide this information in a format that allows for easy comparison and analysis. If possible, include any relevant documentation or reports related to these installations.

The information you have requested is attached as Appendix One and includes a list of all heat pumps installed in prisons for the last 12-month period, as of 28 May 2024.

Please note that this response may be published on Corrections' website. Typically, responses are published quarterly or as otherwise determined. Your personal information including name and contact details will be removed for publication.

I hope this information is helpful. I encourage you to raise any concerns about this response with Corrections. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Ngā mihi

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