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Dear Jodie,

Thank you for your request for information made to the Reserve Bank of New Zealand – Te Pūtea Matua under the Official Information Act 1982 on 18 September, 2024.

In your request you sought:

- *Please advise names of all consultancy firms who have provided advice/information/strategy direction to staff and the governing Board, and produced content including white papers, online content and press releases to establish and support the CBDC campaign from conception through to the current date: 'We're progressing our digital cash work through 4 stages. We're currently in stage 2.'*
- *Please advise expenditure per year on consultancy firms including Accenture who have provided advice/information/strategy direction and produced content including white papers, online content and press releases to establish and support the CBDC campaign from conception through to current date.*

Response

RBNZ has identified two consultancy firms whose engagement is in scope of your request. RBNZ's per year expenditure on these engagements is set out in the table below.

Vendor	FY2022/23	FY2023/24
Accenture NZ Limited	\$121,157	\$483,653
The One Picture Group Limited T/A Gravitas OPG	\$157,422	\$38,441

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of this decision by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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Reserve Bank of New Zealand – Te Pūtea Matua