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Tēnā koe John

Your request

Thank you for your request, received on 9 November 2024, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) for the following information:

"I noted, you have recently call for nomination for your Switch and Data Formats
Group https://www.ea.govt.nz/news/general-news/call-for-nominations-for-the-switch-and-data-formats-group/

May I ask how you called for public nomination and on what platform you have call for public nominations e.g. govt.jobs website. Also, how many applications you have received from the public and how many you have received from other nominating agencies such as TPK or Ministry of women etc for your role. How many you have shortlisted and how many you have interviewed in this recruitment round. May I also seek a copy of the ad went out to public and the appointment letter sent to the appointee, feel free to redact any personal information."

Our response to your request

The Electricity Authority Te Mana Hiko (Authority) is in the process of convening membership for the Switch and Data Formats Group, which includes nominations for members with experience in the switching process and technical expertise in data within the electricity sector. The roles are unpaid technical group roles.

We used our Market Brief (the Authority's weekly newsletter) to call for nominations, rather than any job platforms. We also advertised the call for nominations on the Authority's website. A copy of the information that was included in the Market Brief can be found at this link: https://www.ea.govt.nz/about-us/our-people/our-advisory-and-technical-groups/switch-and-data-formats-group/. The link also contains a copy of the nomination form and the terms of reference for the group.

The Authority reviewed all the nominations we received, which was a total of fourteen nominations. None of these nominations were from other agencies. The Authority did not interview or shortlist any applicants.

The Authority notified the nominees of their successful appointment on 26 November 2024. A copy of the letter sent to the successful nominees is attached (with no personal information included, this has been withheld in accordance with section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982).

I am satisfied, in terms of section 9(1) of the OIA, that the need to withhold the information referred to above is not outweighed by other considerations that render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

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.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact us by emailing oia@ea.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā,

Airihi Mahuika

GM Legal, Monitoring and Compliance

Dirihi Mahrile