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Tēnā koe Harwood

Thank you for your request of 1 May 2026 to Fire and Emergency New Zealand requesting the following information relating to Type 4 appliances under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

- 1. All RFI supplier documents received from the request.*
- 2. All subsequent FENZ reviews or internal documents regarding the received RFI's and / or plans for further action following this, including if the national number of Type 4's will be increased or decreased and where.*
- 3. Any budget decisions or allocations regarding the Type 4 appliance procurement.*
- 4. Do FENZ expect to meet their own plans to replace the Type 4 appliances by FY 2028/29? If so please provide clear documents to support this, including a schedule of replacement trucks. If not please provide documents or clear reasons that justify the delay when major funds have been spent on other non front line projects.*
- 5. Who is ultimately accountable for delivering the fleet component of the 10-year plan within its stated timeframe? If the plan is not met, what are the defined consequences for those responsible?*
- 6. Is there a formal accountability framework in place, or are delays simply absorbed through external explanations or internal excuses?*
- 7. Is there a clear, public demand based prioritisation model that explains why one area progresses while another falls behind? i.e increased staff numbers since inception for executive and NHQ plus increased pay while the ELT provide substandard public honesty as documented in parliament, vs aged fleet, non crewed trucks and inadequate Firefighter recruits.*

8. *How many Type 4's are currently available as Aerial reliefs? and how many stations are currently missing (or out of FULL service) their Type 4?*
9. *Any written correspondence involving the ELT regarding Type 4's within the past 4 months which is: Media Releases, Media speeches, Media advice or General statements to all FENZ personal or the public.*

This letter is to advise that Fire and Emergency needs to extend the timeframe of our response to your request by 20 working days, under section 15A(1)(a) of the OIA, as the request is for a large quantity of official information or necessitates a search through a large quantity of information and meeting the original time limit would unreasonably interfere with our operations and 15A(1)(b) of the OIA, as consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

For this reason, you can expect to receive our response no later than 29 June 2026. We will endeavour to respond sooner than this date if possible. If you no longer require this information, please let us know.

You have the right to request an investigation and review of Fire and Emergency's decision to extend the timeframe by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā



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