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Tēnā koe Peter

Thank you for your request of 2 April 2026 to Fire and Emergency New Zealand requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

1. *Staffing by Department*

*Please provide the number of paid FENZ staff by department, broken down for each year from establishment in 2017 through to EOFY 2026. I would appreciate this in a table that also includes the percentage of staff by department compared to the total, with department classifications generally emphasizing front-line firefighters in stations, front-line firefighters in investigation/risk/support roles, and other NHQ positions including NHQ management.*

2. *Aging Firefighting Vehicles*

*My community has a number of very old trucks under FENZ management for the past 9 years. Do you have any plans to replace the following vehicles?*

*Cheviot Tanker – 30+ years old*

*Culverden Tanker – 30+ years old*

*Hanmer Rural Tanker – almost 40 years old Hawarden Pump – 30+ years old Hawarden*

*Tanker – 35+ years old Waikari Pump – 30+ years old Kaiapoi #1 – 35+ years old Scargill*

*Tanker – 30+ years old Waiau Pump – 30+ years old Waiau Tanker – 35+ years old*

*Waikuku Beach Tanker – 35+ years old*

*(This list is not exhaustive.)*

3. *Board Members' Pay*

*As a levy payer, I would like to understand the documented rationale or benefits behind the significant increase in board members' remuneration. Please provide any relevant documentation from the last three months, including information on how this increase was prioritized over other urgent needs, such as fleet replacement, given FENZ's stated budget constraint*

We are writing to advise you that we have transferred part of your request to the Department of Internal Affairs (DIA). Part of the information to which your request relates, namely, information regarding Board Members remuneration is more closely connected with the functions of DIA. In these circumstances, we are required by section 14 of the OIA to transfer your request.

You can expect to hear from DIA concerning part three of your request in due course. Alternatively, you can contact DIA by emailing [minadviceteam@dia.govt.nz](mailto:minadviceteam@dia.govt.nz)

Nāku noa, nā



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