



23 August 2012

Alex Harris

By Email: fyi-request-450-8168199e@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Harris

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I refer to your request for information set out in your email dated 30 July.

I attach a copy of Solid Energy's submission to the Law Commission. I have also attached copies of draft submissions and internal email communications relating to the submission. The mobile phone numbers of Solid Energy staff have been withheld in accordance with section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982 – to protect the privacy of natural persons.

Further, Solid Energy does not agree to release a copy of external advice relating to the submission. This is withheld in accordance with section 9(2)(h) of the Official Information Act 1982 – to maintain legal professional privilege.

In making the decision to withhold the information set out above Solid Energy has considered whether withholding this information is outweighed by other considerations which render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available. Solid Energy does not believe this to be the case. Any public interest consideration I believe is satisfied by the release of the information attached.

Under section 28(3) of the Act you are entitled to seek an investigation and review of the above decisions by writing to the Ombudsman.

Should you wish to discuss this matter please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



Rob Page

SENIOR CORPORATE SOLICITOR