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Dear Mr Burgess

Thank you for your email of 10 April 2013 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982:

- (1) At what level is a request for the supply of personal information approved?
- (2) Is an audit process used to ensure personal information is not supplied when it should have been withheld?
- (3) If there is such a process, what is it?
- (4) You say that you would only release information on a customer with the customers consent. Is this consent:
- (a) Obtained by you by contacting the customer when a request for information is received?
- (b) Held on your files?
- (c) Not held on your files but always sighted by you before information is released?
- (d) Neither obtained, held or sighted by you. (It is based on assurance by the requester that they hold consent.)
- (5) If any information is released on the basis that the requester assures you that they hold the relevant consent, how often is this audited and what is the audit process?
- (6) Does HNZC management require any kind of reporting on the release of personal information to private agencies? and if so what data is provided to management?

Housing New Zealand is considering your request and you can expect a reply in accordance with the Act.

Yours sincerely

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