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B Morgan Murrah
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Dear B Murrah

Request for Information Relating to the Kapiti Expressway Project

I refer to your information request of 9 May 2013 which asked "*John Key has been quoted in the Dominion Post as saying the Kapiti Expressway RONS project will create 1000 jobs.... Under the Official Information Act 1982 I request information and documentation relating to the source of that number and the evidence used to support it.*" Your request was transferred to this Office for response.

I can confirm that the source of the estimate for the number of jobs to be created by the project was a briefing from the New Zealand Transport Agency to the Prime Minister dated 3 May 2013 entitled "*Kapiti Expressway (MacKays to Peka Peka section of the Wellington Northern Corridor).*" The relevant paragraph of that briefing is copied below:

"11. Based on employment figures for comparable expressway projects, such as the Waikato Expressway, it is estimated that the construction of the MacKays to Peka Peka project will provide around 1000 jobs."

For completeness, you are entitled to ask the Ombudsman to review this decision/response under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act.

Yours sincerely

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Chief of Staff