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Tēnā koe 

I refer to your email dated 17 November 2022 in which you requested information and documents for calendar years from 2020 to date, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), on Te Manatū Waka Ministry of Transport's (the Ministry's) engagement with the following firms:

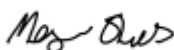
- Capital Government Relations
- Thompson Lewis
- Shearson Willis
- Draper Cormack
- Saunders Unsworth
- Cosgrove & Partners Ltd
- Barton Deakin
- Hawker Britton
- Anacta Consulting.

We have conducted a search of our financial management system to match the parameters you requested. This search revealed that the Ministry has had no engagement with the firms you listed. I am therefore refusing your request under Section 18(e) of the Act as the information you have requested does not exist. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of this response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz)

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Nāku noa, nā



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