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By email: [fyi-request-18002-4c3fee5a@requests.fyi.org.nz](mailto:fyi-request-18002-4c3fee5a@requests.fyi.org.nz)

Dear Eric

**Request for communications between Transpower and the Ministry of Health**

I am writing in response to the following Official Information Act (OIA) requests:

- your request directly to Transpower, dated 19 December 2021, for all communications between Transpower and the Ministry of Health on the topic of 'Vaccine Mandates' between dates of 01/03/2021 and 18/11/2021; and
- your request to the Ministry of Health, transferred to Transpower on 12 January 2021, for all communications between Ministry of Health and Transpower, on the subject of 'COVID-19' between the dates of 01/03/2021 and 18/12/2021.

Transpower has not had any communications with the Ministry of Health on COVID-19 or the topic of vaccine mandates. Our only conversation with the Ministry of Health has been via a phone call to Healthline in response to a case of COVID-19 and/or clarity regarding close or casual contact of a positive COVID-19 case. Transpower therefore declines your request under section 18(g) of the OIA on the basis the information requested is not held.

You have a right to seek a review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Charlotte Edwards'.

Charlotte Edwards  
Corporate Counsel