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Tēnā koe Mason

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 6 May 2023 to the Department of Corrections – Ara Poutama Aotearoa, requesting the following information:

- Please provide the OIA response to DEBBIE PORTEOUS of the Otago Times from 2010 that was referenced in this article  
<https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.odt.co.nz%2Fnews%2Fdunedin%2Fmonitoring-equipment-fails-hundreds-times&data=05%7C01%7Cinfo%40corrections.govt.nz%7C457ca394456f4ad4a74f08db4dfafc91%7Cfc4d60d1bb674d7b898109a1c54e91ea%7C0%7C0%7C638189513848762466%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLjBTiil6IkhWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=1rGHUTUWK3LuNIQ2a5Y1epRs4rqdK4Jr5dQuEPTB75U%3D&reserved=0>

*In the 3 months of 2021, September, October, and November:*

- On average, how many people were subject to EM at any one time?
- how many faults were recorded for EM equipment?
- please provide the quantities of each type of equipment (OBC, trackers, base station...) that was returned for repair or to be sent back to the supplier. Please itemise each category of equipment; dates are not required, just quantities.
- how many times was EM equipment failed to be charge resulting in an alert in the monitoring system? RF bracelets did not require charging, so this request is inherently limited to those who were subject to EM equipment that required charging (EM Bail, Home detention, Parole).
- how many times was a prosecution launched for a breach of bail / parole / other form of breach such as a parole recall, result from those failures to charge? Please forward this portion of the request to the MOJ or Police should that be appropriate. In which case, it is likely that there may need to be collaboration.

*New Buddi system:*

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Corrections needs to extend the timeframe of our response to your request by 20 working days, pursuant to section 15A(1)(b) of the OIA, as consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit. Therefore, you can expect to receive a response to your request by 3 July 2023. If you no longer require this information, please let us know as soon as possible.

Please be advised that should you have any concerns regarding this response you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate our decision to extend the timeframe. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Ngā mihi



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