

# Official Information Act Request

## Requester's details

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Tēnā koe e John

Thank you for your request received on 15 July 2023 for:

Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Committee

May I ask how did you call for public nomination and on what platform you have call for public nominations, e.g. govt.jobs website. Also, how many applications you have received from the public and how many you have received from other nominating agencies such as TPK or Ministry of women etc. further, how many you have shortlisted. When you expect the recruitment process will [be] concluded.

The information you have requested follows.

Vacancies for Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) committee members were advertised on the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) careers website, NZ Government jobs, Seek NZ, and LinkedIn.

The EPA received 63 applications for the committee member vacancies advertised. We are not aware of any applications from nominating agencies.

The recruitment process is ongoing, and shortlisting is yet to take place. We are unable to provide a date for when the recruitment process will conclude.

I hope this information is helpful. You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. You can contact the Ombudsman on 0800 802 602, or by email at [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz)

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us via [ministerials@epa.govt.nz](mailto:ministerials@epa.govt.nz)

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Nāku noa nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chris Hill".

Dr Christopher Hill  
**General Manager, Hazardous Substances and New Organisms**