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Dear Tony

### Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 20 November 2015 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982:

- a copy of the NZTA FAR internal rules and policies used when RECOMMENDING the NZTA FAR percentage to be applied to public transport funding requests ?
- a copy of the evidence and other information that was applied to the NZTA FAR internal rules and policies that led to the RECOMMENDATION of a FAR of 100% was required in the "\$2.29M Hutt Valley Line On-Time Reliability" funding request ?
- a copy of the NZTA FAR internal rules and policies used when DECIDING the NZTA FAR percentage to be applied to public transport funding requests ?
- a copy of the evidence and other information that was applied to the NZTA FAR internal rules and policies that led to the DECISION to approve a FAR of 100% for the "\$2.29M Hutt Valley Line On-Time Reliability" funding request ?

I note that this request follows from:

- a) your earlier request of 12 August 2015, our response of 2 September 2015 which attached the memo dated 25 June 2015 titled "Hutt Valley Line On-time reliability - Business Case, conversations with Wayne Heerdegen, Principal Investment Advisor during the week of 7 September 2015;
- b) your subsequent further request of 9 October 2015 and our response of 9 November 2015 with attached documentation of:
  - emails between an official from KiwiRail, Angus Gabara from Greater Wellington Regional Council and Wayne Heerdegen (Transport Agency) dated 12 June 2015 and pdf attachment from Greater Wellington - re Wairarapa Line Modernisation Budget
  - email and memo from Dave Brash to Lyndon Hammond and Wayne Heerdegen (all from the Transport Agency) dated 19 June 2015, re: HVL Reliability Assessment Memo June 2015.
  - Tranz Metro Punctuality, Screen Shot of On Time Performance for Hutt Valley Line
  - Handwritten note, Wayne Heerdegen (Transport Agency) undated (approximately 12 June 2015), of conversation with Greater Wellington Regional Council regarding the Hutt Valley Line reliability issues
  - Benefits to Efficiency Ratio calculation for the increased \$2.9 million investment in the GWRC programme.

### Information relevant to your request of 20 November 2015

- a. *copy of the NZTA FAR internal rules and policies used when RECOMMENDING the NZTA FAR percentage to be applied to public transport funding requests?*

The 2009 – 2015 NZ Transport Agency funding assistance policy and rates is available from the Transport Agency planning and investment knowledge base at the following link:  
[www.pikb.co.nz/home/nzta-investment-policy/2009-15-funding-assistance-policy-and-rates/](http://www.pikb.co.nz/home/nzta-investment-policy/2009-15-funding-assistance-policy-and-rates/)

***b. copy of the evidence and other information that was applied to the NZTA FAR internal rules and policies that led to the RECOMMENDATION of a FAR of 100% was required in the \$2.29M Hutt Valley Line On-Time Reliability” funding request?***

Please refer to our response of 2 September 2015, which included the memo dated 25 June 2015 titled “Hutt Valley Line On-time reliability – Business Case”.

***c. copy of the NZTA FAR internal rules and policies used when DECIDING the NZTA FAR percentage to be applied to public transport funding requests ?***

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***d. copy of the evidence and other information that was applied to the NZTA FAR internal rules and policies that led to the DECISION to approve a FAR of 100% for the \$2.29M Hutt Valley Line On-Time Reliability” funding request ?***

Please refer to our response of 2 September 2015 which included the memo dated 25 June 2015 titled “Hutt Valley Line On-time reliability – Business Case”.

If you would like to discuss this reply with the NZ Transport Agency, please contact Wayne Heerdegen, Principal Investment Advisor, by email to [wayne.heerdegen@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:wayne.heerdegen@nzta.govt.nz) or by phone on (04) 894 6295.

Yours sincerely



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