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Dear Mr Lewis

Thank you for your request, received on 21 September 2016, for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*Details of actions taken by the Tertiary Education Commission since 2014 to recover funding provided to organisations from the Workplace Literacy and Numeracy (WLN) Fund, including the organisations affected and the basis for the recovery action undertaken.*

The information requested is in the attached table. The recoveries listed are all business as usual recoveries related to delivery levels relative to funding received, and in accordance with the funding conditions in place for each year. Note that in some cases the funding recovery was offset against final payments to providers.

I trust this information meets your needs. Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman if you have any concerns about my response to your request.

Yours sincerely

Brendan Kelly  
Acting Chief Executive



## Recoveries related to the Workplace Literacy and Numeracy fund (excluding GST)

Organisation Type	Provider name	Calendar Year		
		2014	2015	2016 (year to date)
<b>Employer</b>	Infracon Limited	(\$33,825)		
	Heinz Wattie's Limited	(\$83,200)		
	McAlpines Limited	(\$25,900)		
	Programmed Maintenance Services (NZ) Limited		(\$55,500)	
	Sistema Plastics Limited		(\$2,960)	
	McCain Foods (NZ) Limited			(\$7,400)
	Bakels Edible Oils (NZ) limited			(\$6,956)
	Discount Taxis Limited			(\$6,660)
	Oneroa Beach Club Limited			(\$2,550)
<b>Private Training Establishment</b>	EnterpriseMIT Limited	(\$422,818)		
	Wilkinson's English Language School Limited	(\$111,555)		
	Responsive Trade Education Limited	(\$80,568)		
	Venture Group New Zealand Limited	(\$120,458)		
	Cornerstone Education Limited	(\$708,587)	(\$514,115)	
	Workbase Education Trust	(\$290,543)	(\$42,319)	
	Literacy Aotearoa Incorporated	(\$61,522)	(\$62,084)	
	Skills 4 Work Incorporated	(\$54,045)	(\$47,868)	
	Edvance Limited		(\$242,096)	
<b>School</b>	Hagley Community College	(\$83,065)	(\$32,283)	

### Notes:

1. Recoveries are based on funding mechanisms in place under section 159L of the Education Act 1989.
2. If a tertiary education organisation (TEO) receives funding under this funding mechanism that is greater than it should have received, the TEO must treat the amount of the over-funding as a debt due to the Crown that is repayable on demand, and may be offset against all or any funding or any sum of money payable by the TEC to the TEO.
3. The above recoveries are calculated on the full allocation rather than the actual payment made. This is done to enable us to record the recovery in relation to the full commitment for the time period.
4. Funding agreements may be varied during the term of the agreement. The TEC varies approximately half of all employer-led WLN funding agreements. Typically this is because operational constraints means training can't take place as originally planned.

