

3 July 2017

IP Expert NZ

By email: fyi-request-5961-e7738832@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear IP Expert NZ.

We are writing in response to your Official Information Act request of 3 June 2017, in which you have requested the following information:

“...An overview of the costs for the last three financial years relating to:

- Customer entertainment
- Meals, drinks, food
- Hotel costs
- Travel costs”

Please find below the information you have requested:

Callaghan Innovation			
Actual Expenditure			
	2013/14*	2014/15	2015/16
	\$	\$	\$
Entertainment**	205,415.59	322,171.69	304,675.03
Domestic Airfares	667,499.50	875,954.49	1,014,170.76
Domestic Accommodation/Travel Expenses	556,006.17	723,972.91	855,308.83
Overseas Airfares	490,364.05	478,885.34	414,305.18
Overseas Accommodation/Travel Expenses	359,313.64	483,924.86	308,341.47
	2,278,598.95	2,884,909.29	2,896,801.27

* Callaghan Innovation was established on 1 February 2013

** Callaghan Innovation do not make a distinction between internal and external (customer) entertainment. Entertainment meets the tax definition of entertainment which includes the purchase of food and beverages. Entertainment consists mainly of Callaghan Innovation team catering costs for internal and external functions, including entertaining customers.

You have the right to request a review of this response, by the Ombudsman at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by contacting 0800 802 602.

Please contact ministerial.services@callaghaninnovation.govt.nz if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely



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