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REF: OIA-12225

Dear

## Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 14 March 2023 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I'm requesting more information please about Waka Kotahi's rental portfolio.

I understand about 700 properties are on the books, with about a third of these purchased in the past five years.

Can you please provide a full list of the 700-odd properties that are currently part of the rental portfolio.

Please provide the data of purchase and what project they were purchased to make way for?

The following documents fall within the scope of your request and are enclosed:

Attachment 1: OIA-12225 – Leasable Property Data March 2023 FINAL

Waka Kotahi implemented a new system for managing property in August 2013. 377 properties have a purchase date of 'Pre-August 2013' and we do not hold purchase date information internally for these properties. Therefore, I am refusing this part of your request under section 18(g)(i) of the Act. This section allows for the refusal of information if the information requested is not held by the department or Minister of the Crown or organisation and the person dealing with the request has no grounds for believing that the information is held by another department or Minister of the Crown or organisation, or by a local authority.

I am also withholding street and street number information under section 9(2)(a) of the Act. This section allows for the withholding of information to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.

With respect to the information that has been withheld, I do not consider there are any other factors which would render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to refuse and withhold part of this request. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

In line with Waka Kotahi policy, this response will soon be published on our website, with personal information removed.

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact Andrew Knackstedt, Senior Media Manager, by email at andrew.knackstedt@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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