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Dear Eric

Re: Official Information Act request – Follow up on Government Investment in Decarbonising Industry (GIDI) Fund Additionality

On 31 May you asked a follow up query related GIDI Fund administered by the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA). EECA provided you some preliminary relevant information via email correspondence while extending the main request. Please see below EECA's response to your request.

You have requested:

Copies of any evaluation or interim evaluation of the original GIDI Fund (i.e., the \$70 million allocated over three rounds), dated 1 January 2022 to 30 May 2022. This includes evaluations/interim evaluations undertaken by EECA and/or by consultants engaged by EECA.

For avoidance of doubt this should include, but is not limited to, assessment (or interim assessment) of:

- *Project additionality*
- *Project abatement costs / payback periods / NPV*
- *Process performance and improvement (including panel evaluation)*
- *Emissions impact to date*
- *Recommendations for improvement in subsequent GIDI Fund rounds and other future iterations (i.e. the additional funding allocated in Budget 2022)*

For further avoidance of doubt this should include, but is not limited to:

- *Memos*
- *Briefings*
- *Emails*
- *Slide presentations*
- *Meeting notes*
- *Spreadsheets*

After providing with you with information about EECA's monitoring and evaluation programme of work for the GIDI fund, and clarifying with you the scope of your request, we have determined that there is presently no further information within the scope of your request.

For clarity, this means that there have been no interim or otherwise evaluations of the GIDI programme or individual projects since the approval of the projects, and therefore no subsequent related documentation. Note that the actual impact of GIDI projects will not be known until they have been commissioned and are in operation, and EECA receives the 12 month-post commissioning project reports from fund recipients.

We will respond separately to your subsequent request for any work completed by Concept Consulting related to GIDI.

You have the right, by way of complaint to the Ombudsman, to seek an investigation and review of the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority's response to your information request. You can do this by email to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by writing to the Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely



Andrew Caseley
Chief Executive