

23 April 2024

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Tēnā koe 9(2)a,

Thank you for your email of 27 March 2024 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I request the name of the firm that was appointed as the independent reviewer of the applications for accreditation to run a Product Stewardship Scheme for refrigerants and other synthetic greenhouse gases under the Waste Management Act 2008.

The firm appointed as the independent reviewer of the applications for accreditation to run a Product Stewardship Scheme for refrigerants and other synthetic greenhouse gases under the Waste Management Act 2008 is McHugh & Shaw Limited.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decision relating to this request, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on their website at: <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.</u>

Please note that due to the public interest in our work the Ministry for the Environment publishes responses to requests for official information on our <u>OIA responses page</u> shortly after the response has been sent. If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Ministerial Services team: <u>ministerials@mfe.govt.nz</u>.

Nāku noa, nā,

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Shaun Lewis, General Manager – Waste Systems Ministry for the Environment | Manatū Mō Te Taiao