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Dear s 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email of 05 September 2022 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- 1) *This request is for an itemised list of all MfE funding for the Freshwater Iwi Leaders Group and Wai Māori Trust associated with work relating to the RMA reform process, specifically the Natural and Built Environments Bill, Māori Freshwater rights and interests.*
- 2) *This request ranges from the date April 2021 (from when FILG and Wai Māori Trust left the Te Tai Kaha collective) to now (09 September 2022).*

In response to your request, please refer to Table A attached, which provides all invoices submitted by Waikato Tainui on behalf of the Freshwater Iwi Leaders Group (FILG) and Te Wai Māori Trust. Since your request has specified funding from when FILG and Te Wai Māori Trust left Te Tai Kaha collective, I have included invoices from 12 March 2021 when the new deed was signed, to 9 September 2022.

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

www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

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 [OIA responses page](#) shortly after the response has been sent. If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Ministerial Services team: ministerials@mfe.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

This response has been approved electronically by Keita Kohere

Keita Kohere
Director - Operations

Table A - Invoices submitted by Waikato Tainui on behalf of the Freshwater Iwi Leaders Group and Te Wai Māori Trust between 1 April 2021 and 9 September 2022

Invoice Date	Invoice No	Detail (as shown on invoice)	Excl GST	Incl GST	Creditor
29/03/2021	1800001680	Freshwater ILG – policy advice, technical advisors and regional hui	170,000.00	195,500.00	Waikato Tainui
1/07/2021	1800001743	Freshwater Iwi Leaders Group and Te Wai Maaori Trust Deed of Funding Report Period 01 May-31 May 2021	98,700.00	113,505.00	Waikato Tainui
7/09/2021	1800001790	Freshwater ILG - Resource management reforms advisory services for the month of July	144,515.00	166,192.25	Waikato Tainui
7/09/2021	1800001791	Freshwater ILG - Resource management reforms advisory services for the month of August	135,941.00	156,332.15	Waikato Tainui
12/04/2022	1800001918	Freshwater ILG - Resource management reforms advise and regional hui	105,088.68	120,851.98	Waikato Tainui

27/05/2022	1800001944	On signing of contract 25199	50,000.00	57,500.00	Waikato Tainui
27/05/2022	1800001945	Administration Cost to TWOW Engagement and participation of technicians with MFE officials-Jan-April 2022	225,000.00	258,750.00	Waikato Tainui
20/06/2022	1800001981	Engagement and participation of technicians with MFE Officials May - June 2022 Contract 25199	225,000.00	258,750.00	Waikato Tainui

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