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Tēnā koe Monica

Thank you for your email of 24 June 2023 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

*Could you please provide a total cost breakdown for all Electrical Workers Registration Board Examinations held in 2022 that were held by ASPEQ.*

Aspeq is an external entity that deliver examination services for the Electrical Workers Registration Board, at their own expense. In 2022, the Ministry, on behalf of the Electrical Workers Registration Board did not incur direct costs related to any examinations held.

Therefore, your request is refused under section 18(g) of the Act, that the information requested is not held by the department or venture or Minister of the Crown or organisation and the person dealing with the request has no grounds for believing that the information is either—

- (i) held by another department (for itself and for a departmental agency hosted by it or an interdepartmental executive board serviced by it) or interdepartmental venture or Minister of the Crown or organisation, or by a local authority; or
- (ii) connected more closely with the functions of another department (for itself and for a departmental agency hosted by it or an interdepartmental executive board serviced by it) or interdepartmental venture or Minister of the Crown or organisation or of a local authority.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, or if you require any further assistance, please contact [OIA@mbie.govt.nz](mailto:OIA@mbie.govt.nz).

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

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