

14 March 2023

Dear [REDACTED]

**Re: Official Information Act Request – Submissions to Energy Papers**

Thank you for your email on 1 December 2022 addressed to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment. On 16 January 2023, MBIE transferred part two and three of your request to EECA. After EECA located content in relation to part four of your request, MBIE also transferred part four of your request to EECA on 13 February 2023:

*I need all consultation submissions on the following policy papers as part of my PhD project's data collection:*

1. *Powering Our Future: New Zealand Energy Strategy to 2050, Towards a sustainable low emissions energy system-2001*
2. *National Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy Towards a sustainable energy future*
3. *New Zealand Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy: Action plan to maximise energy efficiency and renewable energy 2007*
4. *New Zealand Energy Strategy 2011–2021: Developing our energy potential and the New Zealand Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy 2011–2016*
5. *Unlocking our energy productivity and renewable potential NEW ZEALAND ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION STRATEGY 2017 – 2022*

Note: On 11 January 2023, you clarified that you were after all individual submissions made for the above papers, as well as any submission summaries produced.

On 9 February, EECA emailed you to notify that we extended your request by an additional 20 working days until 14 March 2023.

Below is a summary of the content that falls within scope of your request:

Part of request:	Type:	Name of document/s:	Decision:
2. National Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy Towards a	Submission Summary	Report on Submissions and Recommendations on the Draft National Energy	Release in full.

sustainable energy future (2001)		Efficiency and Conservation strategy (September 2001).	EECA sent this summary to you via email dated 9 February.
2. National Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy Towards a sustainable energy future (2001)	Submissions	N/A	Refused in full.  This is refused under Section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 - <i>that the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, could not be found.</i>  EECA notified you of this via email dated 9 February.
3. New Zealand Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy: Action plan to maximise energy efficiency and renewable energy 2007	Submission Summary	Report on Submissions, Draft New Zealand Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy (October 2007)	Release in full.  EECA sent this summary to you via email dated 9 February.
3. New Zealand Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy: Action plan to maximise energy efficiency and renewable energy 2007	Submissions	Provided in 35 Packs, titled by individual numbers 1-35.	Release in Part. -9(2)(a)
4. New Zealand Energy Strategy 2011-2021: Developing our energy potential and the New Zealand Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy 2011-2016	Submission Summary	Summary and analysis of submissions on the Draft New Zealand Energy Strategy and the Draft New Zealand Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy (July 2011)	Release in full.
4. New Zealand Energy Strategy 2011-2021: Developing our energy potential and the New Zealand Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy 2011-2016	Submissions	Provided in 23 Pdfs titled by individual letters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A-K,</li> <li>• K (2)</li> <li>• L-P</li> <li>• R-T</li> <li>• V</li> <li>• W</li> </ul>	Release in Part. -9(2)(a)

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<p>4. New Zealand Energy Strategy 2011–2021: Developing our energy potential and the New Zealand Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy 2011–2016</p>	Submissions	<p>Submissions by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Te Runanga o Te Whanau</li> <li>• Seafood Industry Council</li> <li>• Pacific institute of Resource Management</li> <li>• Cilla Beach</li> <li>• Camilla Cox</li> <li>• Bruce Thompson</li> </ul>	<p>Refused in full.</p> <p>This is refused under Section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 - <i>that the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, could not be found.</i></p> <p>EECA located corrupt versions of these submissions that could not be opened. Unfortunately, we could not locate versions of these files that can be opened.</p>

EECA has attached our response to parts two, three and four of your request to this letter.

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.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request will be published shortly at <https://www.eeca.govt.nz/about/news-and-corporate/official-information/> with your personal information removed.

Yours sincerely

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