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Dear 

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), received on 3 August 2022. You requested the following:

*Pls release in fully searchable and copyable format to , re large datacentres and/or data hypercentres being set up in NZ or talked about to be set up here, including by all and any of the following - AWS, Microsoft, CDC, Lake Parime, DCI Data Centres, and Datagrid:*

- The latest two briefings by or on behalf of your agency to any Minister regards any or all large datacentres*
- The latest substantive internal report or doc or similar generated at or for your agency on this that addresses risks, costs and benefits*
- The most substantive report guiding your agency currently that outlines the up-to-date actions and/or agreements and/or plans and/or intentions of your agency, or on behalf of your agency, for use of the services of any of these datacentres in any respect*

Inland Revenue has not sent any reports or briefings to Ministers on any plans or intentions to use any of the services mentioned in your request. Your request is therefore refused under section 18(e) of the OIA, as the information requested does not exist.

As valued customers of Microsoft, Inland Revenue has attended a number of update sessions on what their plans are for data centres in New Zealand. This has included what services they plan on offering, and when these might be available. As a customer who uses Microsoft services, this is clearly of interest.

Inland Revenue currently has services hosted on offshore AWS and Azure platforms. We would eye any developments of these services being offered out of New Zealand based data centres with keen interest.

### **Right of review**

If you disagree with my decision on your OIA request, you can ask an Inland Revenue review officer to review my decision. To ask for an internal review, please email the Commissioner of Inland Revenue at: [CommissionersCorrespondence@ird.govt.nz](mailto:CommissionersCorrespondence@ird.govt.nz).

Alternatively, under section 28(3) of the OIA, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision. You can contact the office of the Ombudsman by email at: [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz).

If you choose to have an internal review, you can still ask the Ombudsman for a review.

**Publishing of OIA response**

Please note that Inland Revenue regularly publishes responses to requests that may be of interest to the wider public on its website. We consider this response is of public interest so will publish this response in due course. Your personal details or any information that would identify you will be removed prior to it being published.

Thank you for your request.

Yours sincerely



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