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Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

### **Request for information 2025-419**

I refer to your request for information dated 27 November 2025, which was received by Greater Wellington Regional Council (Greater Wellington) on 27 November 2025. You have requested the following:

- “1. *Copies of any reports, briefings, correspondence, or advice provided by CentrePort to the Ministry of Transport regarding options for alternative open ocean tug arrangements prior to or during the draft of the initial and detailed business cases prepared for the Transport Minister and Cabinet.*
2. *Any internal analysis or assessments prepared by CentrePort regarding alternative tug solutions, including costings, operational feasibility, or risk considerations.*
3. *Any communications between CentrePort and other stakeholders (including maritime operators or government agencies) that informed the advice provided to the Ministry of Transport.*

*Please provide the information in electronic form where possible, and include any applicable reasoning if material is withheld under the Act.”*

**Greater Wellington's response follows:**

We have refused your request under section 17(g) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) on the basis that the information is not held by Greater Wellington and we have no grounds for believing it is held by another local authority or a department or Minister of the Crown or organisation.

You have asked for information regarding CentrePort, however CentrePort is not subject to the Official Information Act 1982 or LGOIMA, as it is a port company under the Port Companies Act 1988.

We consulted with the Ministry of Transport on the potential transfer of Part 1 of your request. We have been advised that the Ministry of Transport does not hold this information, so we have not transferred this part of your request.

If you have any concerns with the decision(s) referred to in this letter, you have the right to request an investigation and review by the Ombudsman under section 27(3) of the LGOIMA.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where appropriate. Our response to your request will be published shortly on Greater Wellington's website with your personal information removed.

Nāku iti noa, nā



**Luke Troy**

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