



OIA Ref: 2021-027

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12 August 2021

Official information request for information on interests of Climate Change Commissioners

Kia ora privacy

I refer to your request for information dated 11 May 2021, in which you requested the following information under the Official Information Act (OIA):

- *Any documents seen or signed by the Chief Executive Officer, Ms. Jo Hendy, which refer to anything related to any conflicts of interest within the Climate Change Commission.*
- *Any documents seen or signed by the Chair of the Climate Change Commission, Dr. Rodrick Carr, which refer to anything related to any conflicts of interest within the Climate Change Commission.*

Background

On 18 May 2021, in correspondence with the Commission, you clarified your request to information related to:

- interests of Commissioners, and
- interests declared during the appointment process, or which the Chair and/or the Chief Executive have been subsequently made aware of since the appointment of the Commissioners.

On 25 May 2021, the Commission informed you that it was transferring the portion of the second part of your request that relates to the appointment process to the Ministry for the Environment under section 14 of the OIA.

On 9 June 2021, the Commission extended the timeframe for responding to your request to 12 August 2021, under sections 15A(1)(a) and 15A(1)(b) of the OIA.

Response

The document schedule below lists the documents that fall within scope of this request. Please note, some information has been withheld under the following sections of the OIA:

- 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons;
- 9(2)(b)(ii) – to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information

- 9(2)(g)(i) – to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to Ministers of the Crown or members of an organisation or officers and employees of any public service agency or organisation in the course of their duty
- 9(2)(h) – to maintain legal professional privilege.

Some other information has been refused under s 18(d) of the OIA, as it is or will soon be publicly available.

Please note, Document 80 (email dated 10 May 2021, 3.53 pm - 9.47 pm), mischaracterised Commissioner Dr Judy Lawrence’s concerns about her EDS-associated interest. Dr Lawrence was not asking to have her EDS-associated interest removed from the interest register. Rather, she wanted the nature of her interest to be corrected to make it clear that she is a member of and occasional donor to EDS but has never been the Chair.

Document Schedule for OIA 2021-027

No.	Document Type	Document Title	Date	Redactions/ Notes
1	Email	Market Sensitive Price Information	18 September 2020, 4.23 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(h), 9(2)(a) Note: Document attached to email dated 18 September 2020, 4.23 pm is Attachment 2a.
2	Email	Market Sensitive Price Information	28 September 2020, 5.15 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(h), 9(2)(a)
2a	Attachment	Board Paper on Market Sensitive Price Information	Attached to email dated 28 September 2020, 5.15 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(h), 9(2)(a)
3	Email Thread	Request to rename agenda item (“Market Sensitive Price Information Update”)	1 October 2020, 12.23 pm – 2 October 2020, 2.20 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a) Note: Link leads to Attachment 2a (draft) and Attachment 4a (final)
4	Email	Draft Board paper: Dealing with Non-Public Information where People have Interests	5 October 2020, 12.30 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(h), 9(2)(a)
4a	Attachment	Dealing with non-public information when people have interests	Attached to email dated 5 October 2020, 12.30 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(h), 9(2)(a)
5	Email thread	Fonterra Election Update	5 November 2020, 10.36 am - 3.51 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
6	Email and Attachments 6a, 6b and 6c	Withheld: 9(2)(h), out of scope	18 November 2020, 3.33 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h), 9(2)(a), out of scope
7	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	14 December 2020, 11.25 am - 4.34 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h), 9(2)(a), out of scope
8	Email and Attachment 8a	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	14 December 2020, 4.49 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)

				Note: Final version of Document 8a is available on the 2021 Draft Advice, page 2: https://haveyoursay.climatecommission.govt.nz/comms-and-engagement/future-climate-action-for-aotearoa/supporting_documents/CCCADVICETOGOVT31JAN2021pdf.pdf
9	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	16 December 2020, 3.00 pm - 3.16 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
10	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	16 December 2020, 3.56 pm - 17 December 2020, 11.03 am	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
11	Email thread and Attachment 11a	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	17 December 2020, 12.33 pm - 12.35 pm and attachment to email dated 17 December 2020, 12.33 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
12	Email and attachment 12a	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	17 December 2020, 3.25 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
13	Email thread and Attachment 13a	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	17 December 2020, 12.51 pm - 3.42 pm and attachment to email dated 17 December 2020, 12.51 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
14	Email thread and Attachment 14a	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	17 December 2020, 12.35 pm - 12.36pm and attachment to email dated 17 December 2020, 12.35 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
15	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	17 December 2020, 12.33 pm - 18 December 2020, 4.04 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
16	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	18 December 2020, 4.49 pm - 5.03 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
17	Email thread	Disclosure of Commissioners' Interests to the Minister	18 December 2020, 4.35 pm - 19 December 2020, 7.33 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h)
18	Email and Attachment 18a	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	21 December 2020, 2.01 pm - 10.47 pm and attachment to email dated 21 December 2020, 2.01 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
19	Email	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	21 December 2020, 10.54 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h), out of scope

20	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	22 December 2020, 4.27 pm - 10.37 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
21	Email thread	Interests Letter to the Minister	23 December 2020, 2.28 pm – 3.35 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h)
22	Email	Climate Change Commission - Interests of Board Members	23 December 2020, 7.15 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
22a	Attachment	Letter of 23 December 2020 to Minister Shaw	Attached to email dated 23 December 2021, 7.15 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(b)(ii)
23	Email	Letter to go in board papers	15 January 2021, 12.28 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a) Note: Document attached to email dated 15 January 2021, 7.15 pm is Attachment 22a
24	Email	Interest Register - Professor James Renwick	20 January 2021, 11.28 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
24a	Attachment	Interest Register Master Version - Professor James Renwick Updated to 19 January 2021.docx	Attached to email dated 20 January 2021, 11.28 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(b)(ii) Note: This is a draft in development
25	Email	Interests Register	20 January 2021, 10.18 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
25a	Attachment	Interest Register Master Version - Dr Rod Carr Updated at 19 January 2021	Attached to email dated 20 January 2021, 10.18 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(b)(ii) Note: This is a draft in development
26	Email	Interests Register Update - Dr Judy Lawrence	20 January 2021 1.48 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
26a	Attachment	Interest Register Master Version Dr Judy Lawrence Updated at 19 January 2021.docx	Attached to email dated 20 January 2021, 1.48 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a) Note: This is a draft in development
27	Email thread	(Guidance requested on potential conflict) FW: voluntary offsetting - invitation to participate in stakeholder workshops	20 January 2021, 8.53 am - 9 February 2021, 9.47 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(g)(i), 9(2)(h)
28	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	27 January 2021, 3.53 pm - 7.52 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
29	Email thread	Update on <u>Out of scope</u> & Interests Work	28 January 2021, 9.42 pm - 29 January 2021, 10.02 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h), out of scope
30	Email thread	Interests Update	15 February 2021, 9.18 pm - 9.40 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h)

31	Email thread	Climate Change Commission: Interests Letter	25 February 2021, 4.23 pm - 26 February 2021, 2.59 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h) Note: Emails of 26 February 2021, 12.29 pm - 2.59 pm withheld under 9(2)(h)
31a	Attachment	Letter to Climate Change Commission re interests	Attached to email dated 25 February 2021, 4.23 pm	Released in full
32	Email thread	Climate Change Commission: Interests Letter	25 February 2021, 4.25 pm - 27 February 2021, 10.41 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a) Note: Document attached to email dated 25 February 2021, 4.25 pm is Attachment 31a
33	Email thread	Climate Change Commission: Interests Letter	25 February 2021, 4.23 pm - 5 March 2021, 6.18 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a) Note: Document attached to email dated 25 February 2021, 4.25 pm is Attachment 31a
34	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	26 February 2021, 12.36 pm - 1 March 2021, 5.47 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
35	Email thread and Attachment 35a	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	4 March 2021, 5.45 pm - 5 March 2021, 6.18 pm and attachment to email dated 4 March 2021, 5.45 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
36	Email thread	Interests Paper	5 March 2021, 6.17 pm - 6 March 2021, 10.27 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a) Note: Attachments 36b, 36c and 36d to email dated 5 March 2021, 6.17 pm are respectively Attachment 31a; a draft of Document 86; and the Interests' policy and Public Facing Interest Register (available online at: Our interests policy and register » Climate Change Commission (climatecommission.govt.nz))
36a	Attachment	Interests Update - March 2021	Attached to email dated 5 March 2021, 6.17 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h) Note: Document refers to Interest Policy, available online at Our interests policy and register » Climate Change Commission (climatecommission.govt.nz)
37	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	8 March 2021, 11.15 pm - 12.45 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h), out of scope

38	Email thread	Standing Interests Register - Draft Letter to Commissioners Notifying Removal of Some Items from the Standing Interests Register	8 March 2021, 11.12 am - 12.57 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
38a	Attachment	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	Attached to email dated 8 March 2021, 11.12 am	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h) Note: Final version is Attachment 40a
39	Email	Updated Letter to Commissioners Regarding Removal of Some Items from the Standing Interests Register	8 March 2021, 5.15 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h)
40	Email	New material available in Diligent Boards - 9 March 2021 Board Meeting	8 March 2021, 10.38 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
40a	Attachment	Agenda Item 12.7 – 8 March 2021 Letter to Commissioners – Removal of items from the Standing Interests Register	Attached to email dated 8 March 2021, 10.38 pm	Released in full
41	Email	Standing Interests Register as at 9 March 2021	9 March 2021, 10.07 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h)
41a	Attachment	Standing Interests Register for Dr Rod Carr as at 9 March 2021	Attached to email dated 9 March 2021, 10.07 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
42	Email	Carr interests register update	10 March 2021, 8.50 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
42a	Attachment	Standing Interests Register for Dr Rod Carr as at 9 March 2021	Attached to email dated 10 March 2021, 8.50 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
43	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	12 March 2021, 5.27 pm – 5.58 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
44	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	17 March 2021, 2.18 pm – 3.02 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(h), 9(2)(a)
44a, b and c	Attachments	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	Attachments to email dated 17 March 2021, 2.18 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
45	Email thread	FYI: Code of Conduct for Crown Entities Board Members	18 March 2021, 5.44pm - 6.07 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
45a	Attachment	Code of Conduct for Crown Entities Board Members	Attached to email dated 18 March 2021, 5.44 pm	Released in full Note: Document also available at Code of Conduct For Crown

				Entity Board Members Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission
46	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	19 March 2021, 3.42 pm - 8.08 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h), 9(2)(g)(i)
47	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	24 March 2021, 3.43 pm - 9.08 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
48	Email thread	NZU Sale	29 March 2021, 3.30 pm - 21 April 2021, 4.09 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(b)(ii)
48a	Attachment	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	Attached to email dated 21 April 2021, 3.00 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h), 9(2)(a)
49	Email thread and Attachments 49a, 49b and 49c	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	Emails of 7 April 12.58 pm – 8 April 2021, 3.50 pm and attachments to email dated 7 April 2021, 12.58 pm and 7.47 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
50	Email	Draft Board Paper: Code of Conduct for Crown Entity Board Members	9 April 2021, 11.00 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a) Note: Attachment 50c is Attachment 45a
50a	Attachment	Paper for April 2021 Board Meeting	Attached to email dated 9 April 2021, 11.00 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a) Note: This draft was approved and became Agenda Item 5.
50b	Attachment	Standards of Integrity and Conduct	Attached to email dated 9 April 2021, 11.00 am	Released in full
51	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	11 April 2021, 5.42 pm - 6.02 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h) and out of scope
52	Email	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	12 April 2021, 8.58 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
53	Email thread	Interests: Revised Draft Letter to the Minister	13 April 2021, 4.05 pm - 14 April 2021, 5.23 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h)
53a	Attachment	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	Attached to email dated 13 April 2021, 4.05 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h) Note: Final version of this letter is Attachment 56a
54	Email thread	Interests: Permissions to Act	13 April 2021, 5.11 pm - 20 April 2021, 10.19 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
54a	Attachment	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	Attached to email dated 13 April 2021, 5.11 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h) Note: The final version of this letter is released at Attachment 81a
55	Email thread	Interests: Revised Draft Letter to the Minister	14 April 2021, 4.02 pm – 13 April 2021, 4.05 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h)
55a	Attachment	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	Attached to email dated 13 April 2021, 4.05 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)

				Note: Final version of this document is Attachment 56a
56	Email thread	Climate Change Commission - Interests of Board Members	14 April 2021, 6.24 pm - 15 April 2021, 11.02 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(g)(l)
56a	Attachment	Letter of 14 April to Min Shaw	Attached to email dated 14 April 2021, 6.24 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(b)(ii)
57	Email thread	Conflicts of interest Spouse	14 April 2021, 1.29 pm - 22 April 2021, 9.18 pm	Released In part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h), 9(2)(g)(l)
58	Email thread	Public Interest Register	14 April 2021, 4.30 pm – 28 April 2021, 12.27 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
59	Email thread	Disclosure confidential	27 April 2021, 6.00 pm - 28 April 2021, 11.46 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h), out of scope
59a	Attachment	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	Attached to email dated 27 April 2021, 6.00 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
60	Email thread	Additional Interest for Judy	28 April 2021, 8.53 pm - 9.16 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
61	Email	Board interests letter from Minister Shaw	28 April 2021, 12.02 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
61a	Attachment	Board interests letter from Minister Shaw	Attached to email dated 28 April 2021, 12.02 pm	Released in full
62	Email thread	Interests - Permission to Act for Catherine Leining	28 April 2021, 1.31 pm - 2.41 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h)
63	Email thread	Interests - Interests - Permissions for Lisa Tumahai	28 April 2021, 2.32 pm - 2.35 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h)
64	Email thread	James' Interests - Permission to Act	28 April 2021, 4.56 pm - 5.12 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h)
65	Email thread	Public Facing Interests Register - Extract of Your Interests	28 April 2021, 10.44 am - 12.47 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
65a	Attachment	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	Attachment to email dated 28 April 2021, 10.44 am	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
66	Email thread	Proposed Amendment to Permissions for Nicola	28 April 2021, 9.56 pm - 29 April 2021, 1.13 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h)
67	Email thread	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	29 April 2021, 4.47 pm – 7.00 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(g)(i)
68	Email thread	Public Facing Interests register – your current interests for review	28 April 2021, 7.11 pm - 30 April 2021, 7:56 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a)

68a	Attachment	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	Attachment to email dated 28 April 2021, 7.11 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
69	Email thread	Draft Wording for Letter to the Public Service Commissioner	4 May 2021, 1.41 pm - 7.29 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(g)(i) Note: Attachment 69c is Attachment 63a
69a	Attachment	Interests - Draft Letter to Public Service Commissioner re Professor Renwick's Interest May 2021	Attached to email dated 4 May 2021, 1.41 pm	Released in full
69b	Attachment	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	Attached to email dated 4 May 2021, 1.41 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
70	Email thread	Interests	4 May 2021, 6.29 pm - 5 May 2021, 8.11 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h)
71	Email thread	Interests	5 May 2021, 5.12 pm - 7.09 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h), 9(2)(g)(i)
72	Email thread	Climate Change Commission - Professor James Renwick's Interests	5 May 2021, 12.02 pm - 5 May 2021, 8.44 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
72a	Attachment	5 May 2021 - Letter to Peter Hughes Public Service Commission - Professor James Renwick	Attached to email dated 5 May 2021, 12.02 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
73	Email thread and attachment 73a	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	5 May 2021, 11.51 am - 6.18 pm and attachment to email dated 5 March 2021, 11.51 am	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
74	Email thread and Attachments 74a and 74b	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	6 May 2021, 9.15 pm	Withheld under s 9(2)(h)
75	Email thread	Climate Change Commission - Professor James Renwick's Interests	6 May 2021, 8.12 am - 10 May 2021, 4.31 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a) Note: Attachment 75b attached to email dated 6 May 2021, 8.12 am is Attachment 72a
75a	Attachment	Letter of 10 May 2021 from the Public Service Commission to Dr Rod Carr.	Attached to email dated 10 May 2021, 3.00 pm	Released in full
76	Email	Permissions letter	9 May 2021, 10.07 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
76a	Attachment	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	Attached to email dated 9 May 2021, 10.07 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)

77	Email thread	Public Register	9 May 2021, 10.18 am - 10 May 2021, 1.58 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h)
77a	<i>Attachment</i>	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	Attached to email dated 9 May 2021, 10.18 pm	Withheld in full: 9(2)(h)
78	Email thread	Climate Change Commission - Professor James Renwick's Interests	10 May 2021, 4.09 pm – 4.29 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h)
79	Email	10 May 2021 - Response letter from Deputy Commissioners Helene Quilter to Dr Rod Carr.pdf	10 May 2021, 4.11 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a) Note: Document attached to email dated 10 May 2021, 4.11 pm is Attachment 75a
80	Email thread	This Week's Board Meeting Plus Interests	10 May 2021, 3.53 pm - 9.47 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), out of scope
81	Email thread	Interests - Permission Letter from the Chair of the Climate Change Commission	10 May 2021, 11.56 am - 11 May 2021, 6.53 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
81a	<i>Attachment</i>	Interests - Permission letter from Chair to Commissioners - 6 May 2021	Attached to email dated 10 May 2021, 11.56 am	Released in full
82	Email thread	Interests - MfE's Feedback	12 May 2021, 11.18 am - 6.16 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(h), 9(2)(b)(ii)
83	Email	URGENT: Interests Re Board Meeting	12 May 2021, 10.14 am	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
84	Email thread	Special Board Meeting Minutes	17 May 2021, 3.58 pm - 7.43 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a)
84a	<i>Attachment</i>	Withheld: 9(2)(h)	Attached to email dated 17 May 2021, 3.58 pm	Withheld in full: 18(d) Note: Final version of this attachment is available online at: https://ccc-production-media.s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/public/Board-minutes-/29-April-2021-board-minutes.pdf
85	Email thread	Link to the Interests Register and Policy	21 May 2021, 2.30 pm – 9.27 pm	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(g)(i) Note: Current Interests Register and Interests Policy available online at: Our interests policy and register » Climate Change Commission (climatecommission.govt.nz)

86	Document	Standing Interests Register – Climate Change Commission Board	As at 27 July 2021	Released in part: 9(2)(a), 9(2)(b)(ii)
87	Documents	Commission Board Minutes including discussion of Commissioners' interests		Withheld in full: 18(d). Note: Commission Board Minutes are available at: www.climatecommission.govt.nz/who-we-are/corporate-publications/commission-board-minutes .

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 or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that the Commission has a policy to proactively release OIA responses to help others have access to more information. Consequently, this letter will be published on our website with your name and contact details redacted to protect your privacy.

Kind regards

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