

Mr D Watson Divisional Manager, Transport Wellington Regional Council P O Box ii-646 WELLINGTON

Dear Dave

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Further to your letter to **Demetra Kennedy** of 1 October. 2002, requesting copies of the last 3 years audits of Tranz Metro Wellington.

As required under the Official Information Act, we have consulted with the affected party and advise that release of **this** information is declined. The grounds under which release is declined are that withholding the information is necessary to:

- 1. Protect the privacy of natural persons (section 9(2)(a)).
- 2. Protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice with commercial position of the person who supplied or is the subject of the information (section 9(2)(b)(ii)).
- 3. Protect information which any person has been or could be compelled to provide **under** the authority of any enactment, and release would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or otherwise likely to damage the public interest (section **9(2)(ba)(i)** and (ii)).
- 4. Avoid prejudice to measures protecting the health or safety of members of the public (section 9(2)(c)).

I am also required to advise you of your right. of complaint. to an Ombudsman, under Section 28(3) of the Act..

Tranz Rail have advised us that they would be happy to respond directly to you on any specific enquiries that you may have. In this regard please contact Mr Michael Thomas, Tranz Rail Group Manager, Process & Technology, at their Takapuna offices.

With reference to the request for a copy of rail deaths and injury statistics for the last ten years, please find the attached table giving these details.

Yours sincerely

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David Wright Director of Land Transport Safety

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