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Dear Denise

**Official Information Act Request – OIA 12996 All Communications regarding the Integrated Facilities Management and Hotel Services tender at Central Alliance.**

On 21 July 2020, under section 12 of the Official Information Act, you requested the following information from Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB):

We are requesting, under the Official Information Act, a copy of all communications, internal and between the DHB and Spotless, proposal documents, and any other relevant information regarding the Integrated Facilities Management and Hotel Services tender at Central Alliance. For the avoidance of doubt, this includes all information relating to Dietitians and Biomedical Engineers currently employed by Spotless and providing services to your DHB.

**Whanganui District Health Boards response:**

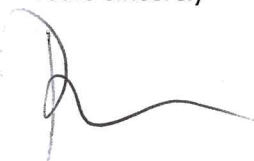
Please find attached the Request for Proposals for the supply of Facilities Maintenance and Hotel Services issued jointly by MidCentral and Whanganui DHBs (Central Alliance).

With regard to your request for "all communications, internal and between the DHB and Spotless, proposal documents, and any other relevant information regarding the Integrated Facilities Management and Hotel Services tender at Central Alliance", that information is the subject of an ongoing procurement process and as such is confidential and commercially sensitive information. Accordingly, WDHB is withholding that information under Section 9(2) of the Act (specifically subsections (b)(ii) and (bc) of that section).

With regard to your request for "all information relating to Dietitians and Biomedical Engineers currently employed by Spotless and providing services to WDHB" that information is both confidential and commercially sensitive information, and personal information. Accordingly, WDHB is withholding that information under Section 9(2)(a) of the Act, and (as set out above) Section 9(2) of the Act (specifically subsections (b)(ii) and (ba)).

Should you have any further queries about the above information, please contact our OIA co-ordinator Anne Phoenix at [anne.phoenix@wdhb.org.nz](mailto:anne.phoenix@wdhb.org.nz)

Yours sincerely



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