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Dear Oliver

Re: Official Information Act Request: TR Group and Hydrogen Trucks

Thank you for your email on Tuesday 15 August in which you requested information under the Official Information Act 1982. You requested the following information regarding the TR Group and Hydrogen Trucks:

1. *How many hydrogen trucks have been delivered to date?*
2. *Is/was there a delivery timescale?*
3. *Has any money from the CRRF in relation to this project been given back?*

EECA's response to your request is below:

5. *How many hydrogen trucks have been delivered to date?*

No hydrogen trucks have been delivered to date.

6. *Is/was there a delivery timescale?*

The original project timeline had the delivery of all the hydrogen trucks scheduled for the end of 2022 (from supplier Hyzon). However, supply chain constraints related to COVID-19 lockdowns and other causes has caused multiple delays, and the truck delivery timeframe was subsequently altered to a delivery timeframe from late 2023 for the first 4 trucks with all trucks delivered by December 2024.

In September 2022, supplier Hyzon advised TR Group of some specification and performance changes to its trucks. Prior to confirming the order for the new trucks, TR Group requires real-world testing to ensure the performance of the trucks is satisfactory. Hyzon is now building four trucks for TR Group to test in real world applications. It is estimated these trucks will arrive in New Zealand by December 2023 after testing. When satisfactory performance is proven, delivery timeframes will be agreed for the supply of the balance of the trucks, which Hyzon expects would be delivered to New Zealand in mid to late 2024.

7. *Has any money from the CRRF in relation to this project been given back?*

No funding has been returned to the Covid Response and Recovery Fund in relation to this project.

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 it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request will be published shortly at <https://www.eeca.govt.nz/about/news-and-corporate/official-information/> with your personal information removed.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Caseley', written in a cursive style.

Andrew Caseley
EECA Chief Executive