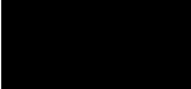


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Tēnā koe 

**Response to your official information request**

Thank you for your official information request received on 1 May 2024 for the decision document relating to South Island Resource Recovery Limited's application to acquire a freehold interest in land in Waimate for the construction and operation of a waste-to-energy plant.

Please find enclosed the partially redacted Assessment Report for this application.

The Assessment Report contains the proposed consent conditions. The date by which SIRRL is required to acquire the Land was subsequently varied on 11 April 2024 from 31 March 2025 to 31 March 2027 to enable resource consent to be obtained before the land is acquired.

Furthermore, the dates by which SIRRL is required to carry out an ecological assessment under Special Condition 5(a) was varied from 30 September 2025 to 30 September 2027 and the date by which SIRRL must relocate any mudfish under Special Condition 5(b) was varied from 31 March 2026 to 31 March 2028 to allow for the delay in acquiring the land.

Hongju Mao and Shengjun Yan, who are both listed as directors of SIRRL on pages 3 and 10 of the Assessment Report, are not directors of SIRRL but are instead directors of China Tianying Incorporated.

We have withheld the following information under the relevant provisions of the Official Information Act 1982:

- the name of the Vendor company under section 9(2)(a), to protect the privacy of the individual directors;
- the consideration for the land under section 9(2)(b)(ii), to avoid likely unreasonable commercial prejudice to the consent holder and the Vendor due to the lengthy settlement contemplated; and

- the amount of capital expenditure which will occur domestically under section 9(2)(b)(ii), publication of which will likely cause unreasonable commercial prejudice to the consent holder by hindering its ability to negotiate competitively.

We are of the view the withholding of the information is not outweighed by the public interest to make that information available. If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact [ministerialsupport@linz.govt.nz](mailto:ministerialsupport@linz.govt.nz).

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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note, this response letter outlining our decision on your request, **with your personal details withheld**, and any attached documentation will be published on the Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand website. This will be published shortly.

Nāku noa, nā



Anneke Turton  
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