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Acting Chair
Te Pūkenga
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Dear Sue

Te Pūkenga Statement of Intent 2025-2028 and Statement of Performance Expectations 2025

As you are aware, it is the Government's intention to disestablish Te Pūkenga. Therefore, under section 139B(3) of the Crown Entities Act 2004 I have granted a waiver of the requirement for Te Pūkenga to produce a Statement of Intent (SOI) for the 2025 to 2028 period.

Section 139B(4) of the Crown Entities Act 2004 requires Te Pūkenga to publish notice of the waiver online, including my reason for granting it. The waiver must also be included in Te Pūkenga's next annual report.

No such provision exists in the Crown Entities Act 2004 to waive the requirement for a Statement of Performance Expectations (SPE). As such, Te Pūkenga must publish an SPE for 2025 before the beginning of the upcoming financial year. I note that, given the proposed disestablishment, the SPE Te Pūkenga produces for the 2025 financial year is likely to be a simplified document which may have adjusted performance measures compared with previous SPEs.

I look forward to receiving your draft SPE at least two months prior to the start of the 2025 financial year.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Penny Simmonds'.

Hon Penny Simmonds
Minister for Tertiary Education and Skills

- cc Gus Gilmore, Chief Executive, Te Pūkenga
Tim Fowler, Chief Executive, Tertiary Education Commission