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By email	l:	

Tēnā koe

Request under the Official Information Act 1982

I refer to your email of 5 June 2025, requesting information from Te Pūkenga – New Zealand Institute of Skills and Technology (Te Pūkenga) about *"how assets and debts will be distributed among former polytechnics following the disestablishment of Te Pūkenga"*.

On 16 June we transferred two of the three points within your request to the Tertiary Education Commission for response. This letter provides a formal decision on your remaining point, copied below, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

• The most recent internal financial analysis or modelling of the impacts of asset and debt redistribution on each polytechnic.

The decision

The document that contains the information within scope of your request is titled *Forecast FY25-FY27 ITP Financial Outlook*, dated 7 May 2025. We have decided to withhold this document in full under section 9(2)(b)(ii) of the OIA:

• to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

We do not consider the need to withhold this information is outweighed by the public interest in its release at this time.

You have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the OIA if you are not happy with this response. Information about how to do this is available at <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or by calling 0800 802 602.

We may publish our OIA responses and the information contained in our reply to you on our website. Before publishing we will remove any personal or identifiable information.

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