


Our Ref DOIA-24-271

Your Ref Far north solar decision

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Tēnā koe 

Response to your official information request

Thank you for your official information request received on 12 April 2024 for a copy of the decision involving Far North solar farm on Bendrose near Twizel.

Please now find attached the assessment report for the decision to grant consent to Aquila Capital Holding GmbH & Far North Solar Farm Limited (case 202300873) which contains the information you have requested.

Some of the information you have requested is included in the attached redacted assessment report. However, information relating to the land, vendor, consideration, capital investment and funding arrangements has been withheld under section 9(2)(b)(ii) of the Official Information Act as release would likely unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of the consent holders.

We are of the view the withholding of the information is not outweighed by the public interest in making that information available.

Please note that the assessment report contains some information that is now outdated. This outdated information with the corresponding corrected information is shown in the table below:

Source	Outdated information	Corrected
Summary (Page 3)	2027	2028
Footnote 14 (Page 7)	Ohau C Project	Marton Project
Footnote 14 (Page 7)	Taranaki 3 Project	Waitara Project
Paragraph 52 (Page 13)	2026	2028

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact 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 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 is likely to be published by the end of June 2024.

Nāku noa, nā



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