

28 August 2026

s 9(2)(a)

Your request

Thank you for your request, received on 3 August 2026, under the Official Information Act 1982 (Act) for the following information:

I am requesting all communications between your agency and the Labour Party Leaders' Office, from 3 February 2025 to today's date.

This should include, but not be limited to:

- Emails*
- Text messages*
- Meeting invitations*

Our response

The Electricity Authority Te Mana Hiko (Authority) has identified three documents within scope of your request. These comprise the email chains between the Authority and the Labour Leader's Office relating to three requests under the Act received from the Labour Leader's Office.

These documents are attached and listed in **Appendix 1**. Some information is withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act to protect the privacy of natural persons.

The Authority has published the substantive responses to these three requests on its website. You can find the responses here:

OIA-26-0010: https://www.ea.govt.nz/documents/10010/16_April_2026_-_LNG_terminal.pdf

OIA-26-0035: https://www.ea.govt.nz/documents/10637/3_June_2026.pdf

Appendix: https://www.ea.govt.nz/documents/10638/3_June_2026_Appendix.pdf

OIA-26-0040: https://www.ea.govt.nz/documents/10641/16_July_2026.pdf

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As this information is publicly available, these responses are therefore refused under section 18 (d) of the Act.

I am satisfied, in terms of section 9(1) of the Act, that the need to withhold the information referred to above is not outweighed by other considerations that render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

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.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public, the Authority may proactively release a copy of this response on our website. All personal data, including your name and contact details, will be removed before publication.

If you'd like to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact us by emailing oa@ea.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Airihi Mahuika', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Airihi Mahuika

GM Legal, Monitoring and Compliance

Appendix 1 – Documents within scope

Item No	Date	Document Type	Title	Release (withholding grounds noted where applicable)
1	12/02/26 – 16/03/26	Email & attachments	EA1 – Emails relating to OIA request OIA-26-0010	<i>Partial withholding – some information withheld under 9(2)(a). Publicly available attachments refused under 18(d)</i>
2	05/05/26 – 03/06/26	Email & attachments	EA2– Emails relating to OIA request OIA-26-0035	<i>Partial withholding – some information withheld under 9(2)(a). Publicly available attachments refused under 18(d)</i>
3	22/05/26 – 16/07/26	Email & attachment	EA3– Emails relating to OIA request OIA-26-0040	<i>Partial withholding – some information withheld under 9(2)(a). Publicly available attachments refused under 18(d)</i>