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Environmental Protection Authority (EPA)

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Request for Information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) (the LGOIMA)

Thank you for your email of **21 September 2023** requesting the following information:

1. Does your council own/control or manage a landfill or waste management/recycling centre?

Yes, Council owns 2 transfer stations.

2. If yes, please provide the name and location.

Otaihanga Transfer Station, 220 Otaihanga Road, Paraparaumu.

Ōtaki Transfer Station, 1 Riverbank Road, Ōtaki.

3. Please provide a copy of your current policies and procedures for the disposal of ozone depleting substances.

Council does not directly manage disposal of ozone depleting substances. Midwest Disposals are the leaseholders of both transfer stations and oversee recycling of whiteware.

Midwest's policy is that all fridges and freezers accepted for disposal are forwarded to a third party for removal and destruction of refrigerants. No items are directed to landfill or to scrap metal.

Please note that any information provided in response to your request may be published on the Council website, with your personal details removed.

4. Please provide records for the number of items that you have disposed of containing ozone depleting substances, for the period 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023.

Units of whiteware (fridges/freezers) accepted between 1/9/22 and 31/8/23 from weighbridge records as follows:

Otaihanga Transfer Station = 584 units.

Ōtaki Transfer Station = 119 units.

5. How did you dispose of items containing ozone depleting substances?

Whiteware from both transfer stations is sent to South Waikato Achievement Trust for e-Waste recycling and degassing. No disposal of ozone depleting substances is undertaken by Council or Transfer Station operators.

6. Please provide the name of any external companies/contractors employed in this process.

Midwest Disposals: [REDACTED]

7. Please provide details of any training your on-site staff receive regarding items containing ozone depleting gasses.

None required as no 'treatment' on site.

Ngā mihi,



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