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Dear Rhys

Information Request

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request dated 14 October 2025, in which you requested the following:

1. *The total number of instances where Police vehicles were filled with the incorrect fuel type in the calendar years 2025, 2024, and 2023, with figures provided separately for each year.*
2. *Any associated costs or consequences that resulted from these incidents, such as vehicle repairs, maintenance, or downtime, for each of the above calendar years*

Between 1 January 2023 and 1 October 2025, there were 45 instances where Police vehicles were filled with the incorrect fuel type. The total cost associated with rectifying these incidents was \$20,475.42 (excluding GST).

Please refer to Table 1 below for a breakdown of the number of incidents and associated costs by calendar year:

Table 1: Incorrect Fuel Incidents and Associated Cost

Calendar Year	Number of Vehicles	Associated Cost (ex GST)
2023	18	\$ 7,390.48
2024	18	\$ 8,041.65
2025 (to date)	9	\$ 5,043.29
Total	45	\$ 20,475.42

I trust this information is satisfactory in answering your request. If you are not satisfied with the way I have responded to your request, you have the right to seek an investigation and review of this response by the Ombudsman. Information about making a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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