

MINO-793 - Fuel Excise Duty / Road User Charges discount communications

15 June 2023

Provide advice on a communications plan for the end of the Fuel Excise Duty (FED) and Road User Charges (RUC) temporary reduction scheme.

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency's response:

1. *if MBIE has been in touch with Waka Kotahi comms team to support them with regard to FED comms lines?*

Waka Kotahi has not been contacted by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE). However, Waka Kotahi has left a message for s 9(2)(g)(ii) at MBIE on 15 June 2023, informing MBIE of our communications going out today and offered a call-back should they wish to discuss the matter further.

2. *The Office thinks that Waka Kotahi should take the lead in comms around the end of RUC discounts, can you please let me know if Waka Kotahi has anything in the pipeline or has plans by way of communications and engagement re RUC? If so, can you please send me any comms plan in relation to this?*

There is no formal communication plan. However, Waka Kotahi is preparing to send the attached email to 300,000 RUC vehicle owners/operators regarding the end of the temporary reduction scheme. The emails will be sent in batches from 12PM on 15 June 2023 until 19 June 2023.