

30 June 2022

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1. We refer to the request received on 28 June 2022, during the meeting attended by [REDACTED] and yourself with the Chair and Chief Executive, for a high level organisation chart of the Commerce Commission (**Commission**) and information about the legislation which we operate under.
2. We have treated this as a request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (**OIA**) and decided to grant your request. A high level organisation chart for the Commission and information about our legislated responsibilities are **attached**.
3. You can find further information about the Commission's structure and legislated responsibilities in our Annual Reports (for the 2021 Report, structure at pages 60 to 64 and legislation at page 13).¹
4. Please note the Commission will be publishing this response to your request in the OIA register on our website.² Your personal details will be removed from the published response.
5. Please do not hesitate to contact us at uia@comcom.govt.nz if you have any questions about this request.

¹ <https://comcom.govt.nz/about-us/strategic-planning-and-accountability-reporting/annual-report>

² <https://comcom.govt.nz/about-us/requesting-official-information/oia-register>

Yours sincerely

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OIA and Information Coordinator

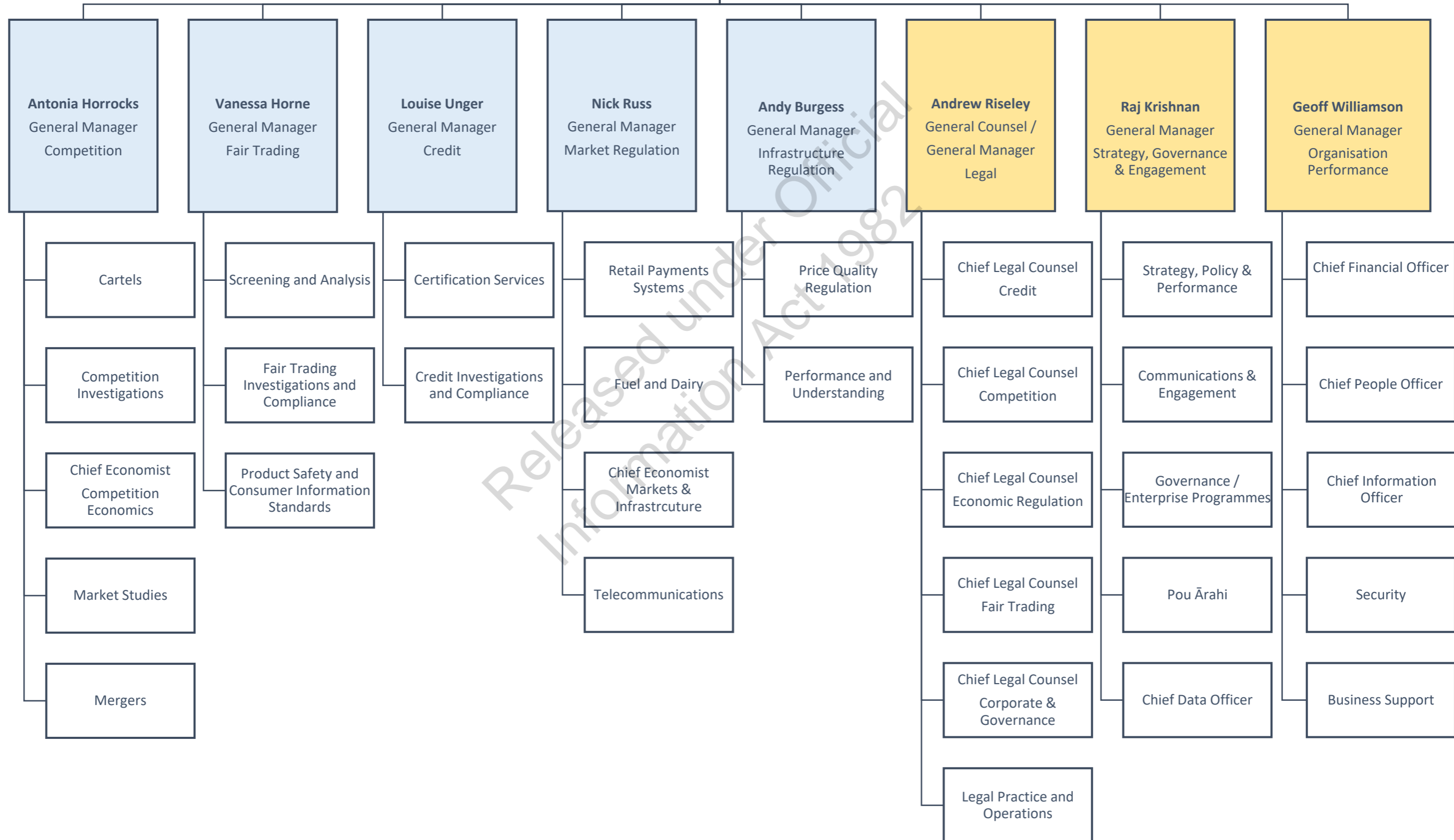
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COMMERCE COMMISSION ORGANISATION CHART

As at 2 June 2022



Adrienne Meikle
Chief Executive



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Legislated responsibilities and essential functions

Ngā haepapatanga ā-ture me ngā tino mahi

We have responsibility for enforcing a range of laws including those relating to competition, fair trading and consumer credit contracts. We also have a range of regulatory responsibilities, including those in the electricity lines, gas pipelines, telecommunications, retail payments, dairy, fuel and airport sectors.

The key laws we are responsible for administering and enforcing are outlined below.

Commerce Act 1986 (Parts 2, 3 and 5)
Prohibits anti-competitive behaviour and acquisitions that substantially lessen competition. It also provides for a clearance and authorisation regime for mergers and restrictive trade practices. Enables the Commission to carry out competition (or market) studies.

Credit Contracts and Consumer Finance Act 2003
Protects the interests of consumers in relation to consumer credit contracts, consumer leases and buy-back transactions of land. It includes provisions relating to disclosure and unforeseen hardship and sets out rules about interest, payments, credit fees, responsible lending and lender certification.

Fair Trading Act 1986
Prohibits false and misleading behaviour by traders and a range of other unfair business practices. It also requires that consumers are given specified information about certain products and promotes product safety.

Commerce Act 1986 (Part 4)
Part 4 provides for the regulation of price and quality of goods and services in markets where there is little or no competition and little or no likelihood of a substantial increase in competition. Sectors that are currently subject to the provisions of Part 4 are electricity distribution and transmission, gas pipelines, and selected airport services.

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Telecommunications Act 2001
Regulates the supply of certain wholesale telecommunications services (including the price and quality of fibre networks) and the quality of retail services.

Fuel Industry Act 2020
Promotes competition in engine fuel markets for the long-term benefit of fuel users. It establishes a wholesale pricing regime, rules governing wholesale contracts, an information disclosure regime and requirements for the display of price information at retail fuel sites.

Retail Payment System Act 2022
Promotes competition and efficiency in the retail payment system for the long-term benefit of merchants and consumers.

Dairy Industry Restructuring Act 2001
Promotes the efficient operation of dairy markets in New Zealand by regulating the activities of Fonterra to ensure New Zealand markets for dairy goods and services are contestable.

In addition to carrying out our responsibilities under these Acts, we contribute to the development and implementation of competition, fair trading, consumer credit and economic regulatory policy settings and laws.