

MBIE and TechnologyOne move Government agencies to the cloud

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Buddle Findlay is delighted to have supported the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) in agreeing a cloud framework agreement with TechnologyOne Limited that will allow government agencies to access TechnologyOne's software-as-a-service (SaaS) financial management information systems (FMIS). This cloud framework agreement was specifically designed to allow agencies to transition as easily as possible from existing TechnologyOne on-premise solutions to the equivalent cloud services. As a result this transaction has balanced ensuring access to TechnologyOne's cloud services, while complying with New Zealand legislation, government-specific obligations, and government's policies. In particular, as the New Zealand Privacy Act 2020 came into force in only December 2020, a focus has been on ensuring agencies can comply with new obligations in that Act when transferring potentially sensitive personal information offshore.

Partner [Renee Stiles](#) headed the Buddle Findlay team, working alongside MBIE's Finance Systems, Control and Procurement team, to negotiate the terms of the agreement, including liaison with a cross-government governance group (consisting of key agencies who wish to transition to TechnologyOne's cloud services). Renee was supported by a number of experts across the firm's ICT and procurement team, including partner [Amy Ryburn](#), special counsel [Damien Steel-Baker](#) and data privacy expert [Alex Chapman](#).

Michael Alp, General Manager Finance Systems, Control and Procurement at MBIE says "we are very excited to see this new cloud framework agreement in place which will see a large number of Government agencies realise a considerable number time, cost and efficiency benefits. The strong and pragmatic focus of Buddle Findlay in partnering to develop the agreements ensured an excellent outcome for all our stakeholders."

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