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Dear Mr Morley

I refer to your Official Information Act request of 19 September 2013, transferred to the Department of Internal Affairs from the office of the Prime Minister on 25 September 2013, regarding Ministers' flights and their contribution towards conservation or sustainability programmes.

The Department does not hold information on contributions made towards conservation and sustainability programmes made in a private capacity by any Ministers or Ministerial office staff. However, the Department administers on behalf of Ministers and their staff a programme to offset emissions from official Ministerial travel through Landcare Research New Zealand Limited's carboNZero.

The amount invoiced by Landcare Research for carbon credit requirements for air travel for Ministers and their staff from July 2012 to June 2013 is detailed in the table below. Please note the amount invoiced to the Department by Landcare Research is not broken down by individual Minister, it is a total cost per quarter broken down by Ministers and staff.

	Ministers	Ministerial Office Staff
July-September 2012	\$8,198.64	\$6,749.32
October-December 2012	\$7,544.84	\$5,953.50
January-March 2013	\$5,438.09	\$4,398.15
April-June 2013	\$11,724.97	\$9,741.20
<b>Total 2012/13</b>	<b>\$32,906.54</b>	<b>\$26,842.17</b>

Under section 28(3) of the Act you are entitled to request that the Ombudsman review this response.

Yours sincerely

Janice Calvert  
 General Manager  
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