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Andrew Tipton
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Dear Andrew Tipton

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I refer to your official information request on 10 October 2019 relating to the following:

Livestock population data from the NAIT database. I am seeking the following data for each animal in NAIT:

1. *Animal type (dairy cattle, beef cattle, other cattle, or deer).*
2. *Date of birth.*
3. *Date of death and/or slaughter.*
4. *Current location of the animal.*

The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) cannot release the data that has been requested under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). The reason for this is that Section 51(1) of the NAIT Act 2012 states: *Nothing in the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) applies to data in the NAIT information system.* MPI therefore cannot release the data that has been requested, subject to the NAIT Act.

An application for data can be made to OSPRI (NAIT Ltd) via sections 40 and 42(7) and 43 of the NAIT Act. The NAIT Act can be viewed at the following webpage:
www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2012/0002/latest/whole.html.

You have the right under section 28(1) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to refuse your request.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Gary Orr', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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