



# MINISTRY OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

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Alex Harris  
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Dear Alex Harris

Thank you for your email of 3 April 2012 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, the following information relating to the five Family Start providers that are being terminated by the Ministry:

- *all performance reports for the past year for the five named providers*
- *all correspondence with the five named providers about their performance and the contract termination, including any warning notices.*

This letter is to advise you that I need to extend the time available to answer your request. The Ministry's response will be with you no later than 18 May 2012.

The reason for the extension is that the Ministry needs further time to consult with other parties on the release of the information you have requested. These other parties may be affected by the release of the information and I need to provide them with an opportunity to identify any prejudice that might arise from its release before I make a final decision.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of our decision to extend the time by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

The Ombudsman  
Office of the Ombudsmen  
PO Box 10-152  
WELLINGTON 6143

I will respond to you sooner if I am able to.

Yours sincerely



Brendan Boyle  
Chief Executive