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Mr Luke Christensen
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Dear Mr Christensen

Response to request for information under the Official Information Act 1982

I refer to your request dated 11 November 2013, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982, seeking:

"I am writing in regards to the conditions set on the government finding of the City Rail Link. One of the targets set was that CBD employment growth need to be heading towards 25% by 2020. Could you advise what spatial definition of CBD that is intended to be used for this calculation, and if you are monitoring the latest Statistics NZ data to see if Auckland is on track for this or not."

Below are responses to your questions.

"Could you advise what spatial definition of CBD that is intended to be used for this calculation"

The geographical area of the CBD has not yet been finalised for the purposes of monitoring Auckland's city centre employment growth. However, the geographic area which is proposed for this calculation is made up of the following Census Area Units: Auckland Harbourside, Auckland Central West, Auckland Central East, Newton and Grafton West. This is consistent with the definition of the CBD used in the recent City Centre Future Access Study report and the generally accepted definition of the Auckland CBD being the area within the central motorway junction.

“Could you advise...if you are monitoring the latest Statistics NZ data to see if Auckland is on track for this or not”

The Ministry of Transport is monitoring the latest Statistics New Zealand data to determine whether Auckland’s city centre employment growth is on track to increase by 25 percent over current levels.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike James". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mike James
General Manager Road & Rail
for CHIEF EXECUTIVE