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Dear George Morrison

Thank you for your email of 3 June 2020 requesting information relating to the Forests (Regulation of Log Traders and Forestry Advisers) Amendment Bill. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

You requested the following:

All information and communications held by the Ministry in relation to the Forests (Regulation of Log Traders and Forestry Advisers) Amendment Bill, both prior to and post the Bill's introduction (for clarity I mean any information/communications proposing changes to forestry legislation/regulation) from:

- NZ Future Forest Products Ltd (or its representatives); and/or
- Kinleith Continuation LP (or its representatives); and/or
- Kameti Investments Ltd (or its representatives); and/or Timothy Peter Gillespie; and/or Jan Trotman; and/or

- Brian Henry; and/or
- David Henry; and/or
- Eastland Community Trust (or its representatives); and/or Claymark Group Holdings (or its representatives); and/or North Sawn Lumber Ltd (or its representatives); and/or

- Grant Kenneth Syminton; and/or Garth Morten Mortensen; and/or
- Andrew Kelly; and/or
- LumberLink Ltd (or its representatives); and/or
- Caniwi Capital Partners Ltd (or its representatives)

MPI has interpreted your request to encompass the timeframe of 1 March 2020 to 3 June 2020, and to relate to any correspondence that directly refers to the Forests (Regulation of Log Traders and Forestry Advisers) Amendment Bill.

MPI has undertaken searches for relevant information, including searches through staff email accounts and did not locate any information or emails within scope of your request. Therefore, your request for information and communications from the above named companies and individuals is refused under section 18(g), that the information requested is

not held by the department or Minister of the Crown or organisation and the person dealing with the request has no grounds for believing that the information is either held by another department or Minister of the Crown.

Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise these with the Ministry for Primary Industries at Official.InformationAct@mpi.govt.nz. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. You can contact the Ombudsman at info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely

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