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Dear Shane Gibson

Thank you for your email of 13 July 2020 relating to requests for official information received by the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI). Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

On 30 July, you confirmed your request for 12 months of OIA request data, 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020, containing the following:

An extract of data from the system you currently use to track information requests submitted under the Official Information Act 1982. The extract should have the following details in a single row for each request that was submitted:

- The title of the request.
- The date your organisation received the request.
- The date of the final response from your organisation to that request, or the date you closed the request.

Please find attached a .csv file for OIA requests received between 1 July 2019 and 30 June 2020, where a response has been provided to the requester. The data includes the title of the request, the date of receipt and the date the decision was sent to the requestor.

Please note, some information has been withheld pursuant to the following sections of the OIA:

- Section 9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons;
- Section 9(2)(ba)(i) to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied; and
- Section 9(2)(b)(ii) to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who is the subject of the information.

MPI is satisfied that in the circumstances of this case, the withholding of the information is not outweighed by other considerations which render it desirable in the public interest to make the information available.

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Government Services Charles Fergusson Building, 34-38 Bowen Street Wellington 6140, New Zealand I trust the information provided is of assistance. Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise these with MPI at Official.InformationAct@mpi.govt.nz. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143 or at info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely

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