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By email Darren Sharpe Email: <u>fyi-request-13543-a606a442@requests.fyi.org.nz</u>

Dear Darren

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987

Thank you for your email dated 18 August 2020 requesting "whether there has been any testing of the wastewater in the Watercare area to establish the presence or other of the coronavirus leading to COVID-19, or any other associated diseases".

Our Response

There has been no testing of wastewater for COVID-19 or any other communicable illness performed by Watercare. Sewage samples have been collected from a number of locations across Auckland by ESR as part of the Government response to COVID-19. Watercare do not receive the results from this testing and enquiries should be directed to ESR or the Government incident response team.

Yours sincerely

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Chief Corporate Affairs Officer