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21 February 2014

Katherine Raue
Transparency New Zealand

Dear Katherine Raue

TRANSFER OF YOUR REQUEST FOR OFFICIAL INFORMATION

I refer to your official information request of 5 February 2014 relating to why the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) did not prosecute Ewen Macdonald over the death of a number of calves.

This letter is to advise you that the MPI is transferring your request to NZ Police under section 14 of the Official Information Act 1982.

Your request is being transferred because the information you are seeking is not held by this Ministry but, I believe, is held by NZ Police. I can confirm that no decision was made by the MPI in relation to a prosecution against Ewen Macdonald. NZ Police were involved with this matter from the start and took a prosecution against Mr Macdonald. Therefore, NZ Police can confirm to you the details relating to the prosecution against Ewen Macdonald.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dave Turner'.

Dave Turner
Acting Director Compliance