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Dear Alex

Official Information Act request: Number of light electric motor vehicles by year

I refer to your email request dated 23 April 2012, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982, seeking:

- the number of light electric motor vehicles registered in New Zealand each year since 2007
- any reports or advice on the impact of the exemption from road user charges on the number of light electric motor vehicles in use in New Zealand

The number of light electric motor vehicles registered in New Zealand each year since 2007

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Number	25	28	27	35	46

The following documents fall within the scope of your second request:

1. *Road User Charges Act 2012 – content of regulations pertaining to vehicles exempt from paying road user charges (regulatory impact statement)*
2. *Speaking notes for the Cabinet EGI Committee*
3. *Treasury report: briefing on electric vehicles*

We are releasing to you documents two and three. These are attached as pdf files.

In accordance with section 18(d) of the OIA document one will not be provided to you because it will soon be publicly available. The Government is expected to shortly announce decisions relating to the content of regulations under the new Road User

Charges Act 2012. Once announcements are made the regulatory impact statement will be published on the Ministry of Transport's website (www.mot.govt.nz).

You may be interested in reviewing the 2009 regulatory impact statement titled *Road User Charges Amendment* that was written at the time when the road user charges exemption for light electric motor vehicles was brought into effect. The document can be found on the Ministry of Transport's website through the following link:

<http://www.transport.govt.nz/about/functions/Documents/RIS%20-%20RUC%20Amendments%202009.pdf>.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act to make a complaint about the withholding of information to the Ombudsman, whose address is:

The Ombudsman
Office of the Ombudsman
PO Box 10-152
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Yours sincerely,



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