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By email www.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Thompson

Official Information Request

I refer to your subsequent follow up email request of 6 October 2014 to the NZ Fire Service Commission (Commission) for further information on the International Fire Deployment by the Department of Primary Industries and Environment (DEPI) Victoria to the British Columbia Forest Service. As previously advised:

- 1. The Commission is aware of the processes that apply in respect of international fire deployments such as teleconference call processes. The Commission was not aware of, and did not receive an invitation from the Forestry Fire Management Group (FFMG) of Australia for the Commission to participate in a DEPI teleconference on 4 August 2014 at 1130hrs EST.
- The Commission was not aware of a FFMG teleconference call on 4 August 2014 (1130hrs EST), and therefore it was not possible for the Commission to participate in a conference call that it was unaware of.
- 3. Consistent with our previous two responses to your same request, I confirm the NZ Fire Service Commission has no further documentation or information relating to the Victorian fire deployment.

Yours sincerely

Rob Pobe

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