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Amelia fyi-request-22863-f51f7b2f@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Amelia,

Thank you for your email of 20 May 2023 requesting information relating to exemptions under the Agricultural Compounds and Veterinary Medicines Act.

The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) will not be able to respond within the timeframe set out in the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) because your request necessitates a search through a large quantity of information and meeting the normal 20-working-day time limit would unreasonably interfere with the operations of MPI. Therefore, your request is extended pursuant to section 15A(1)(a) of the OIA.

MPI will reply to your request by no later than 1 August 2023, earlier if possible.

Should you have any concerns with this extension, I would encourage you to raise these with the Ministry for Primary Industries 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 aincerely,

Michelle Morehu

**Director Government Services**