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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your emails of 8 and 24 September 2015 and request of 25 September 2015 regarding FairWay Resolution Limited.

Firstly, I apologise for the delay in responding to you. Unfortunately due to a misunderstanding your email was not initially referred to the appropriate section of the Ministry of Justice. The Ministry regrets any inconvenience the delay may have caused you.

You have asked a number of questions about the legal status of FairWay Resolution, that is, whether it is recognised in law as a tribunal and whether it is subject to the Privacy Act.

As the Ministry of Justice does not administer FairWay Resolution Limited as a Tribunal, you may wish to contact FairWay Resolution directly to get the information you seek. I note that the Ministry has a contractual arrangement with Fairway Resolution for the provision of family justice services but again, we do not provide administrative support to Fairway Resolution Limited itself.

In relation to its role in the review of ACC matters, FairWay Resolution Limited is subject to the judicial process. If an individual is dissatisfied with the outcome of an ACC review conducted by FairWay Resolution, that individual may pursue an appeal to the ACC District Court Registry. Further information about the District Court Registry is available online at <http://www.justice.govt.nz/tribunals/accident-compensation-appeals-district-court-registry>.

You may wish to seek independent legal advice on this matter. Community law centres offer free legal help and you can find contact details for your local centre online at <http://www.communitylaw.org.nz>.

Thank you for raising this matter. I trust you find this information helpful.

Yours sincerely

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