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Dear Mr Widerstrom

**Request under the Official Information Act 1982**

I refer to your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) received on 15 April 2016 seeking the following:

*We hereby request copies of any and all documentation relating to consideration of the awarding of the 106.1MHz FM frequency for community broadcasting use in Wellington.*

*For the purposes of clarity, we refer to this decision, made in early February 2016:*

<http://www.mch.govt.nz/notice-non-commercial-radio-frequency-1061fm-allocation>

*The material we seek includes, but is not necessarily limited to:*

- Any material provided to the selection panel by the Ministry and which formed part of their brief*
- The content of all applications for the frequency allocation*
- Any secondary material submitted by any of the applicants following their initial application*
- Written comments, whether electronic or otherwise, by the selection panel, to the Ministry or to one another, regarding the applications*
- Any records pertaining to any discussions, meetings or other exchange of views which may have occurred between the Ministry, the panel in its entirety or any member of the panel, with any of the applicants during the time between calling for applications and arriving at a decision, and in the six months immediately prior*
- Any other documents pertaining to the consideration of submissions, their relative merits and final decision.*

In accordance with section 15A of the Act, I am writing to advise you that we need to extend the time limit for responding to your request by 10 working days through to 31 May 2016.

This extension is necessary because your request is for a large quantity of information, and consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit. I refer to section 15A(1)(a) and 15A(1)(b) of the Act.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or free phone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact me on 04 499 4229 or [richard.pollock@mch.govt.nz](mailto:richard.pollock@mch.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Pollock', written in a cursive style.

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