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Ms Bree White breewhite031@gmail.com

Dear Ms White

On 5 June 2016 you emailed the Ministry requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, the following information:

- 1. Have you ever conducted staff engagement surveys?
- 2. What staff engagement survey do you use or have you used: Kenexa, Gallup, Winsborough, other, internally-developed?
- 3. How frequently have you been conducting staff engagement surveys up to the last one you did?
- 4. If you haven't done one in 2016, are you intending to conduct a staff engagement survey in 2016, or whenever the next regularly scheduled survey is?
- 5. If the answer to questions 4) or 1) is "no", why not? Please provide the memorandum, meeting minutes and/or decision documenting the reason for not conducting staff satisfaction surveys, discontinuing the survey, or changing the frequency you conduct surveys.
- 6. Please provide the questions and complete results (e.g. agency level, directorate level, team level) of your staff engagement survey from 2008 to 2016.

In addition to your email to the Ministry, you made the same request to Child, Youth and Family via the FYI website on 7 June 2016. The role and functions of Child, Youth and Family are the responsibility of the Ministry of Social Development, and therefore this response applies to both your requests.

This letter is to advise you that the Ministry has received your request, however requires more time to respond to this request. In accordance with section 15(1) and 15A of the Official Information Act, the Ministry's response will be with you no later than 29 July 2016.

The reason for the extension is that the Ministry needs further time to consult with other parties on the release of the information you have requested. These other parties may be affected by the release of the information and I need to provide them with an opportunity to identify any prejudice that might arise from its release before I make a final decision.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of our decision to extend the time to respond to your request for engagement survey information by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

The Ombudsman Office of the Ombudsman PO Box 10-152 WELLINGTON 6143

I will respond to you sooner if I am able to.

Yours sincerely

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