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Ms Nicola Wolley fyi-request-5110-72a5a25b@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Ms Wolley

I refer to your email of 18 December 2016 requesting the following information:

- Please provide the full contracts and/or terms of engagements, including remuneration for Dr Brian Meacham and Dr Brian Ashe, where engaged by MBIE since year starting 2013.
- Please provide all reports provided to MBIE by Dr Brian Meacham and/or Dr Brian Ashe.

I am writing to notify you that the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (the Ministry) is extending the timeframe for response to your request under section 15A(1)(b) of the Act, as consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original timeframe.

The Ministry will now respond to your request on, if not before, 21 February 2017, which is an extension of 10 working days.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my decision by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely

Emma Drysdale

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