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Dear Lisa Marriott

Thank you for your email of 15 August 2017 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

*'I would be grateful if you would please advise the value of any fines and penalties receivable that were written off during the 2015-16 period.'*

The scope of this request has been interpreted as capturing any fines and penalties receivable which were written off in the 2015/16 financial year.

The value of all fines and penalties receivable which were written off between 01 July 2015 and 30 June 2016 is \$55,042.84. This is made up of several smaller amounts from different participants, all relating to the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme (NZ ETS). These penalties were imposed due to non-compliance by NZ ETS participants.

The fines/penalties in question were imposed by the Environmental Protection Agency, which operates the NZ ETS register. They can impose a range of civil and/or criminal penalties where a participant has breached obligations imposed by the Climate Change Response Act. Further information can be found here: [www.epa.govt.nz/e-m-t/taking-part/guidance/Pages/Compliance-in-the-ETS.aspx](http://www.epa.govt.nz/e-m-t/taking-part/guidance/Pages/Compliance-in-the-ETS.aspx)

Under section 28(3) of the OIA, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my response to your request.

Yours sincerely



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