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Dear Stephen Leask

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT PART RESPONSE AND EXTENSION OF TIME

I refer to your official information request on 6 September 2017 for the following:

I am requesting all submissions and communications to the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) or the office of the Minister for Primary Industries which have been made by any individual or group, related to the Integrated Electronic Monitoring and reporting System (IEMRS).

I am also requesting all internal and external communications with MPI or the office of the Minister for Primary Industries which are related to the privacy where IEMRS is concerned.

Email communications

MPI has undertaken an initial search for all communications, internal and external, related to IEMRS, including privacy concerns. Under section 18(f) of the Official Information Act (OIA) MPI is refusing this part of your request as it would require a review of thousands of email communications which cannot be made available without substantive collation or research.

Submissions and communications

The Ministry has considered your request for all submissions to MPI or the office of the Minister for Primary Industries and we will not be able to respond within the timeframe set out in the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). Consultations necessary to make a decision on your request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the normal 20 working day time limit.

MPI will reply to your request by no later than 30 November 2017, earlier if possible.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to refuse part of your request and to extend the time limit for responding to the remainder of your request.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Stuart Anderson', with a stylized, cursive script.

Stuart Anderson
Director Integrated Electronic Monitoring and Reporting System (IEMRS)