

30 October 2017

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Dear Mr Carter

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), and received on 17 October. You requested the following:

*Do Salmon farms get tax dollars for dead fish or diseased salmon and for infected equipment and supplies?  
Can you please advise how much has been claimed each year over the last 10 years*

On 18 October 2017, we contacted you to determine what you meant by 'tax dollars' in question one of your request. You advised that 'tax dollars' included:

- whether someone engaged in the salmon farming industry can claim deductions in situations where fish die or become diseased (as an example), and
- possible compensation payments made to farmers who suffer the losses described in question one of the request.

Inland Revenue does not hold information relating to the "possible compensation payments made to salmon farmers" part of question one of your request. I believe that such information is held by the Ministry for Primary Industries. Accordingly, under section 14(b)(i) of the Act, I am transferring that part of your request to the Ministry for Primary Industries.

The Ministry for Primary Industries has 20 working days from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

The other parts of your request, including the portion of question one regarding deductions, have not been transferred. I will respond by 15 November 2017.

Yours sincerely



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**Manager, Government & Executive Services**