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Dear Ms Middleton

**Official Information Act request - Information on oil leak from RMS Niagara**

This letter is to acknowledge that we have received your Official Information Act request, dated 20 February 2018. Your request was transferred from Ministry of Transport. Your request was received on 28 February 2018, for:

*"Regarding the RMS Niagra, please provide internal departmental reports, papers and presentations and submissions to Minister and Associate Ministers for Transport; including advice, reports, presentations and recommendations and copies of reports and minutes of Maritime NZ on the threat the Niagara poses, options for remedial action, any plan for resolving the situation, contingency plans, costs and risks, recommendations for action or inaction and consideration on time frames and analysis on the potential economic and social impact of leaving it where it is or recovering the oil or other possible responses."*

Maritime NZ will respond to your request in accordance with the Official Information Act. We will notify you of the decision on your request as soon as reasonably practicable and, in any case, no later than 28 March 2018, being 20 working days after the day your request was received. If we are not able to respond to your request by 28 March 2018, we will notify you of an extension to that timeframe.

If you have any further queries relating to the above request, feel free to contact me directly on 04 495661 or [serah.pettigrew@maritimenz.govt.nz](mailto:serah.pettigrew@maritimenz.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely



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