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Alex Harris c/o fyi.org.nz

Dear Sir/Madam

Official Information Act Request (PFR Ref. 0980.2.2.07.18)

I refer to your Official Information Act request received 20 July 2018 for information related to, or provided by, Thompson and Clark Private Investigations between the years 2014-2018 held by Plant & Food Research.

The Official Information Act states that we should advise you of our decision on your request no later than 20 working days after the day we received your request.

Unfortunately it will not be possible to meet that time limit and we are therefore writing to notify you that we will need additional time to consider your request. We now hope to reply by 24 August 2018.

This extension is necessary because your request requires us to consider a substantial quantity of information.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information on how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please address any correspondence to OIA@plantandfood.co.nz

Yours sincerely

Emma Timewell Communications Manager

Please note: Your request has been assigned the reference number above by Plant & Food Research. This number helps us manage your request effectively. Please quote this number if you wish to correspond further with us regarding this request.

Please address any correspondence in this matter to OIA@plantandfood.co.nz