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Ref: DOIA 1819-0240

S. L. Turner

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Dear S. L. Turner

Thank you for your email of 16 August 2018 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

For the last 5 financial years, please provide the following information:

- 1. How many speeding infringements have MBIE vehicles been issued?*
- 2. How many accidents have MBIE vehicles been involved in?*
- 3. In how many accidents were MBIE vehicles found to be at fault?*
- 4. In how many accidents was excessive speed of the MBIE vehicle found to be a factor in the accident?*
- 5. For accidents and speeding infringements in which MBIE vehicles were found to be liable, what was the total cost to MBIE for insurance excess, to repair the vehicles and/or pay the speeding infringements?*

Question One: How many speeding infringements have MBIE vehicles been issued?

A review of our records has identified that 52 speeding infringements were issued against MBIE vehicles for the 5 years to 30 June 2018.

Question Two: How many accidents have MBIE vehicles been involved in?

Information provided by our insurance agencies indicates that there have been 174 accidents for the 5 years to 30 June 2018.

This includes minor accidents and incidents which don't include third parties and which have immaterial damage (e.g. windscreen damage repairs).

The above total excludes any minor accidents where MBIE may have organised repairs outside of the insurance claims process (e.g. due to the damage being clearly under the excess).

Question 3: In how many accidents were MBIE vehicles found to be at fault?

28 of the 174 accidents above were assessed as being the fault of the MBIE driver. The remainder are the fault of the third party, or where fault could not be assessed.

Question 4: In how many accidents was excessive speed of the MBIE vehicle found to be a factor in the accident?

A review of our records has identified that excess speed, by an MBIE driver, was not a factor for any of the accidents.

Question 5: For accidents and speeding infringements in which MBIE vehicles were found to be liable, what was the total cost to MBIE for insurance excess, to repair the vehicles and/or pay the speeding infringements?

Speeding infringements: Speeding infringements are the responsibility of the MBIE driver, rather than MBIE as an organisation. MBIE ensures that the driver responsible is identified and pays the speeding infringement personally.

Insurance excess: The total cost for insurance excess, or for the cost of repairs when less than the excess, was \$51k over the 5 years to 30 June 2018 (NB: this total excludes any minor accidents where MBIE may have organised repairs outside of the insurance claims process).

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our response to your request. Information about how to make a complaint is available at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone: 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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