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Dear Steve Glassey

EXTENSION OF TIME TO ANSWER OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST

I refer to your official information request on 16 September 2018 relating to commercial pig farms. You have specifically requested:

Copies of advice given or sought to/from between the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) and NZ Pork, in respect to emergency management (i.e. advice/discussion on how commercial pig farms and prepare for natural disasters such as floods or earthquakes); and copies of documents originated by MPI that has set any expectations on such farmers in regards ensuring the welfare of their animals during and following an emergency. This request can be limited to the last two years as of the date of this request.

MPI will not be able to respond within the timeframe set out in the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) because consultation necessary to make a decision on your request is 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 9 November 2018, 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 extend the time limit for responding to your request.

Yours sincerely

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