



23 January 2018

Ref: DOIA 1819-0887

Tim Frank  
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Dear Tim

Thank you for your email of 4 December 2018 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), for the following information:

*Recently, government ministers announced funding under the Provincial Growth Fund for service upgrades of the TranzAlpine and the Coastal Pacific passenger train services.*

*Can you please provide information on what the funding for these service upgrades will be applied to.*

*Can you please release documentation on the TranzAlpine and Coastal Pacific service upgrades, including a detailed breakdown of costs.*

I am writing to advise you that MBIE will provide a response but needs to extend the time available to answer your request. MBIE's response will be with you no later than 13 February 2019.

The reason for the extension is that consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot be made within the original time limit.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to extend the timeframe. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rose Chamberlain".

Rose Chamberlain  
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