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Dear Ben Gracewood

Thank you for your letter of 17 June 2013 requesting information regarding the platform, current and planned costs for the Progress and Consistency Tool (PaCT).

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982.

The information which you requested is supplied below.

**Proposed software and hardware platform for the PaCT system. What underlying system will be used? Will it be web accessible?**

PaCT is being designed as a Linux based solution, using a Python Django framework. It will be web accessible.

**What are the capital costs for developing the system and how are they broken down?**

\$5.1m capital has been allocated, broken into:

- \$2.72m software development
- \$1.17m rubric development
- \$1.2m data analysis and standard setting

**What are the annual (or otherwise) ongoing costs of the system?**

\$580k has been allocated for ongoing hosting, support and maintenance.

Yours sincerely

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