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Health New Zealand
Te Whatu Ora

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Tēnā koe Catherine

## Your request for official information, reference: HNZ00043798

Thank you for your emails of 30 April 2024 respectively, asking Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora questions under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

### Received 8 April 2024

*Please provide reference to the section/part of the Official Information Act under which my request is being denied.*

*Under the Public Records Act shouldn't there be stored records to be retrieved and queried to provide receiving data for these batches? Can you do that please or if not, please provide the reason why not.*

*For clarity I am requiring receiving location data that was not supplied in HNZ00030152, namely:-*

1. *Please include distribution data as per the original request for batches - EP2163, EP9605, ER7449, ET3045, ET9096*

2. *Please include any distribution data additional to that already provided for the following batches (or distribution data in respect of any other batches additional to those mentioned in this request that may not have been supplied in HNZ00030152 table) to provide a complete response to the initial request. EX2405, FA5833, FC3558, FC5029, FD0927, FD9234, FE2090, FE3064, FE8163, FF2382, FF4206, FG0050, FG3716*

*The Medsafe product detail for the purple cap (Tozinameran 0.5 mg/mL equivalent to 30 µg/0.3mL dose) product is below.*

*https://www.medsafe.govt.nz/regulatory/ProductDetail.asp?ID=21938*

*The reply given does not make any differentiation for the composition change reflected in this Product Detail. If the modified purple cap product was distributed within NZ please modify the file to reflect what was asked in the original question.*

*'...what was(were) the date(s) any product of altered composition was imported into NZ, and date(s) first used on consumers. By composition category please supply batch numbers, the sites those batches were distributed to for administration and on what dates.'*

### Received 30 April 2024

*The MoH reply of April 16 still does not answer the question. For clarity, there was an amendment to the product detail for the Tozinameran 30mcg product with PBS buffer where a new excipient was available from December 2021.*

*https://www.medsafe.govt.nz/regulatory/ProductDetail.asp?ID=21938*

*Please notify which batch numbers contained the initial excipient formation and which batch numbers contained the excipient available from December 2021.*

## Response

Health NZ has not been able to find any records of distribution locations for those batches referenced in your request. We also do not hold information relating to your request for *which batch numbers contained the initial excipient formation and which batch numbers contained the excipient available from December 2021*. The change in excipients did not impact the way that the vaccines were handled, administered, or recorded, therefore, we do not hold information on which batch numbers contained the initial excipient formulation and which batch numbers contained the excipient available from December 2021.

As such, we are refusing your requests in full under section 18(g) of the Act as the information requested is not held by us and we have no grounds to believe that it is held by another entity subject to the Act.

## How to get in touch

If you have any questions, you can contact us at hnzOIA@tewhatuora.govt.nz.

If you are not happy with this response, you have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman. Information about how to do this is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Nāku iti noa, nā

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