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Extension of Timeframe for Official Information Act Request

Dear Mr Benseman

Thank you for your email of 8 August 2019 in which you request the following information:

What money has been paid for the approval of 1080 poison and who paid this money? Is there some explanation to justify this payment, as it seems the approval has been purchased by the users of the substance being assessed?

Your request is being considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

The consultations necessary to making a decision on your request mean that a proper response cannot be made within the original time limit. The reason for such consultation is because the material you seek predates the establishment of the EPA and has been archived. I am therefore extending the date for our response, under section 15A(1)(b) of the Act, to 26 September 2019. We will try, however, endeavour to reply before that date.

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

If you have any further queries or wish to discuss your request, please do not hesitate to contact us via ministerials@epa.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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