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REF: OIA-5575, OIA-5602

Dear Gerard

**Request made under the Official Information Act 1982**

Thank you for your emails of 5 September 2019 regarding the responses you received to your requests for official information (Ref: OIA-5575 and OIA-5602).

I appreciate that you are disappointed that some of the information was refused under section 27(1)(g) of Official Information Act 1982. However, our position remains that this information should continue to be refused, and that the disclosure of this information would breach legal professional privilege.

I do not consider that it is in the public interest to make this information available.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to refuse your request. You can find the contact details for the Ombudsman at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

If you would like to discuss this reply with the NZ Transport Agency, please contact Linda Bird, Lead Advisor Employment Relations, by email to [Linda.Bird@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:Linda.Bird@nzta.govt.nz) or by phone on 04 894 5400.

Yours sincerely



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