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Dear Regan

Extension of time to respond to request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 5 November 2013 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982:

- 'Statistics regarding the traffic volume on the Opawa River bridge on State Highway One, north of Blenheim.
- What investigations have been done into improving the safety and traffic flow on the bridge?
- What plans does the NZTA have to manage increasing traffic volumes using the bridge in the future?'

This letter is to advise you that the NZ Transport Agency is extending the 20 working days available to respond to your request, as allowed for under section 15A of the Official Information Act 1982. The Transport Agency requires an additional 7 working days to respond to your request. We will send you a response by 13 December 2013.

The deadline is being extended because of the consultations necessary to make a decision on your request. A proper response to your request cannot reasonably be made within the 20 working day limit.

Under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, you have the right to make a complaint to an Ombudsman about the extension. The address is:

Office of the Ombudsmen PO Box 10152 Wellington

Yours sincerely

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