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Dear Steven Carrington

Thank you for your email of 16 July 2020 requesting information relating to tracing technology used by the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI). Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

You requested:

- *Has your organisation been using any sort of app or software to track staff and visitors to your offices during COVID-19?*
- *If yes, could you briefly outline the nature of the app/software and who the developers/suppliers are?*
- *Could you please report on the compliance rate of both staff and visitor use of the app/software?*

The number one concern for MPI is the safety and wellbeing of our staff and visitors.

MPI has installed a COVID reporting module developed by Gallagher Security on our Electronic Access Control System. This module can be used in the contact tracing of staff and visitor movements, where appropriate, via our building access control system and access control cards. All staff and contractors are required to use MPI access control cards to access MPI premises. Visitors to MPI premises are required to sign in at reception for a visitor pass as per usual.

In addition, MPI registered for and implemented the Ministry of Health (MOH) NZ COVID Tracer app QR code posters for staff and visitors to MPI premises who wanted to track their personal movements.

I trust the information provided is of assistance. Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise these with the Ministry for Primary Industries at [Official.InformationAct@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:Official.InformationAct@mpi.govt.nz). Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6011 or at [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'L. Edwards', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Lance Edwards  
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