

# Crown Irrigation Investments Limited

James Dann

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Dear Mr Dann

I refer to your request dated 12 May 2014, seeking, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) "information on the business case for the investment in Central Plains Water, as well as the business cases for any other such schemes that Crown Irrigation is considering investing in."

Our correspondence of 20 May 2014 clarified that your request should be interpreted as seeking any papers on which a decision to invest was made.

The following documents to the Crown Irrigation Investments Limited Board fall within the scope of your request and are attached.

- Investment update – Central Plains Water, 14 February 2014.
- Investment update – Central Plains Water, February 2014.

Certain information is being withheld in reliance on sections:

- 9(2)(b)(ii) – which relates to unreasonable prejudice to the commercial position of a person.
- 9(2)(ba)(i) – which relates to confidential information and prejudice to its future availability.
- 9(2)(j) – which relates to negotiations being carried out without prejudice or disadvantage.

In accordance with section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to seek an investigation and review of the decision to withhold information by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

The Ombudsman  
Office of the Ombudsman  
PO Box 10-152  
Wellington 6143

Yours sincerely



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