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Dear Shane Gibson

Thank you for your email of 28 April 2023, requesting information relating on Accounts Payable summary spend information. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

You requested the following:

I would like an extract of the annual amount spent with all suppliers for the 2021/2022 financial year. I would like the following details provided:

- Supplier Name
- Suppliers NZBN number (if available)
- Total Amount Spent

Your request for annual amount spent with all suppliers is declined pursuant to section 18(f) of the OIA – that the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) is satisfied that in the circumstances of this case, the withholding of the information is not outweighed by other considerations which render it desirable in the public interest to make the information available.

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. 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 6143 or at info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely

Tina Cornelius

Chief Financial Officer