

3 February 2016

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Dear Lee M

Official Information Act Request

I refer to your email request of 19 February 2015, asking for information about Rex Woodhouse under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

ACC initially responded to this request on 4 March 2015, seeking proof of your standing to make Act requests, as required by section 12 of the Act. You failed to respond directly to this request, but ACC subsequently received the required proof via another channel and has responded to your other www.FYI.org.nz requests.

Unfortunately, ACC inadvertently overlooked providing a final response to this request and apologises for the delay.

Response

ACC has considered your request and has determined that it is not a request for official information under the Act.

The Act requires ACC to make decisions on releasing information it holds. It does not require ACC to respond to requests for its opinion, or to comment on the validity of the previously released information, or to an individual's point of view, such as set out in your request.

As you correctly stated in your email, factual information about Mr Woodhouse has been previously released by ACC. There is no new information that we can provide on this matter. Consequently, ACC will not respond to your questions under the Act.

If you are unhappy with ACC's response to your request you have the right to make a complaint to the Office of the Ombudsman. You can call them on 0800 802 602, 9am to 5pm weekdays, or write to:

The Office of the Ombudsman P O Box 10 152 WELLINGTON 6143

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Yours sincerely

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