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Dear A O'Sullivan

**Extension of time limit for your request for information under the Official Information Act**

I refer to your email dated 23 February 2014. In that email was a request to provide "*any and all correspondence between the EPA staff and the Decision Making Committee and vice versa*" in relation to the hearing of the Chatham Rock Phosphate marine consent application. You also requested the same information in relation to correspondence between Environmental Protection Authority staff members.

In accordance with section 15A(1)(a) of the Official Information Act 1992 ("the OIA") we are also extending the time limit to respond to your request. This is because the information you have requested requires a search through a large quantity of information and as such we are not able to provide you with a response within the normal 20 working day time limit.

While we will endeavour to respond to your request as soon as practicable, the due date for responding to your request will be 22 April 2015.

You have a right, by way of complaint to an Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the OIA, to seek an investigation and review of this decision.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J. Spring'.

Johanne Spring  
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