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Kia ora

**Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-033469**

Thank you for your email of 3 July 2024, asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*I would like to amend my request. Please provide me with the current and historical review codes, and the interpretation of those code, which are readily accessible. According to the Public Records Act, that should be those that were in effect for the last 25 years.*

Your request followed our response dated 2 July declining your request for copies of the review codes from 1982 to 2019 on the ground that substantial collation or research would be required (our reference GOV-032797) which, in turn, followed our response dated 30 May 2024 (GOV-032588).

Similar to GOV-032797, you have asked for review codes from the past 25 years which are readily accessible. We provided the current review codes in our response under GOV-032588, which were and remain all of the codes which are readily accessible to ACC over the entire period from 1982 to 2019, without substantial search and collation. Your request does not add anything further to your previous requests, so ACC's response could not properly be expected to be any different. ACC declines your request under section 18(h) of the Act as ACC considers that your request is frivolous or vexatious.

Furthermore, ACC should advise you that it considers that this request, as well as the earlier other two requests mentioned, are part of many more requests made by the same requester.

ACC has recently received a large number of closely related official information requests that also appear to be made by or on behalf of the same person. At least 20 requests were made from your account on FYI.org.nz to ACC in a short timeframe (between May and July 2024). Many of these were about the same topics.

Other requests written in the same way, about the same topics as your requests, and sent around the same time, have been made from other anonymous FYI accounts. In total, there were at least 40 requests made to ACC in a short timeframe.

On those requests ACC has been asking the requesters for the following information to be able to make a decision on the requests:

- a. the requester's full name and confirmation of your identity, and
- b. the reasons for the request.

We ask for this information so we can determine for each request whether:

- a. ACC has already provided this information in an earlier, separate request; and/or
- b. the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research; and/or
- c. the request is frivolous or vexatious or the information requested is trivial; and/or

- d. the request may relate to matters including proceedings under Part 5 of the Accident Compensation Act 2001.

If ACC had not declined your request already on other grounds it would have asked you for the above information about this request, so that it could consider all of the matters set out by the Act to determine whether to accept or decline the request.

**If you have any questions about this response, please get in touch**

You can email me at [GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz](mailto:GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz). If you are not happy with this response, you can also contact the Ombudsman via [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by phoning 0800 802 602. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

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