



30 August 2024

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Ref: PMO OIA 054-2024-25

Dear Ben Watkins

Official Information Act request: Cloud seeding, weather modification, geo-engineering and related matters

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, received on 10 August 2024. You requested:

“Please provide any and all information known or held by you in any and all formats, including, but not limited to, documents, draft documents, reports, memos, letters, notes, electronic communications, transcripts, visual presentations, photography, and video/audio recordings containing information pertaining to geo-engineering, weather modification and Solar Radiation Management/Mitigation (SRM) with particular emphasis on cloud seeding, marine cloud brightening/engineering/seeding and Stratospheric Aerosol Injection (SAI).

Additionally, please provide any and all information known or held by you in any and all formats, including, but not limited to, documents, draft documents, reports, memos, letters, notes, electronic communications, transcripts, visual presentations, photography, and video/audio recordings containing information pertaining to barium, nano aluminium-coated fibreglass (known as chaff), radioactive thorium, cadmium, chromium, copper sulphate, nickel, strontium, graphene, desiccated blood, mould spores, yellow fungal mycotoxins, ethylene dibromide and polymer fibres with relation to their uses, or potential uses, in geo-engineering, weather modification, Solar Radiation Management/Mitigation, cloud seeding and Stratospheric Aerosol Injection.

And Finally, please provide any and all information known or held by you in any and all formats, including, but not limited to, documents, draft documents, reports, memos, letters, notes, electronic communications, transcripts, visual presentations, photography, and video/audio recordings containing information pertaining to any mention of smart particles, nano machines, nano aerosols, nano-particulates or nano-sized aluminium particles with relationship, if any, to geo-engineering, weather modification, Solar Radiation Management/Mitigation, cloud seeding and Stratospheric Aerosol Injection.”

You have asked for information known or held, we have understood your request to not include any correspondence received by this office, including other official information requests, from individual members of the public. If you intended such correspondence to be included, please advise.

We would usually transfer your request to the Ministry for the Environment (MfE) under section 14 of the Act to as the information you have requested is more closely connected to MfE’s functions and responsibilities. Given your request was also sent to MfE, I refer you to their response.

Other than correspondence from individuals, no information relevant to your request has been identified as being held by this office. As such, your request has been refused under section 18(e) of the Act on the basis that the requested information does not exist.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

Yours sincerely



Cameron Burrows
Chief of Staff