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Tēnā koe Stephen Prendergast

Thank you for your email of 8 January 2025 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

*For the period from 1 August 2024 please supply*

- 1) The Cabinet updates and papers/briefings on the proposed sale of Whakapapa Ski Field and the requested crown support for this transaction, both financial and otherwise.*
- 2) Correspondence between MBIE and the receiver or liquidator on this matter.*
- 3) All external advice received in relation to the sale.*
- 4) All advice from other departments in relation to the sale.*
- 5) All MBIE discussion in relation to the sale.*

On 7 February 2025, you agreed to narrow the scope of your request, from “all correspondence” to:

*You can additionally use a date filter from 01 August to 1 October for that part of the request.*

I am writing to advise you that MBIE will provide a response but needs to extend the time available to answer your request. MBIE’s response will be sent to you no later than 4 April 2025.

The reason for the extension is that your request is for a large quantity of information and meeting the original time limit would unreasonably interfere with our operations. Additionally, consultations with third parties necessary to make a decision on your request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, or if you require any further assistance, please contact [OIA@mbie.govt.nz](mailto:OIA@mbie.govt.nz).

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to extend the time limit. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

Tane Dewes

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