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Dear Peter

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 22 March 2016 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982:

"I am writing to request a copy of the final signed contract for the following studies that were tendered by the New Zealand Transport Agency through GETS:

1. 'Incorporating and assessing travel demand uncertainty in transport investment appraisals.' RFX ID: 13589630
2. 'Investigation of New Zealand's technical readiness to support the deployment of automated and connected vehicles.' RFX ID: 13750651
3. 'Effect of small scale developments on network.' RFX ID: 14259071
4. 'Best practice approaches for the development of legislation.' RFX ID: 14400774
5. 'Forecasting spatial and temporal land use change: incorporating duality in land use for growth modelling.' RFX ID: 15102019
6. 'Valuing freight time and reliability.' RFX ID: 15102369
7. 'Medical reviews and substance impaired driving.' RFX ID: 15451143

I do not necessarily need to see dollar values."

The following proposed studies have not been included in the response for the following reasons:

- Item 5 above did not progress to contract. Section 18(e) applies because the document requested does not exist.
- The contract for item 6 above is still under negotiation. Section 18(e) applies because the document requested does not exist.

The following documents fall within the scope of your request:

- Item 1 above: Research Agreement between the NZ Transport Agency and ECPC Limited for the delivery of TAR 15/14 - *Incorporating and assessing travel demand uncertainty in transport investment appraisals*
- Item 2 above: Research Agreement between the NZ Transport Agency and AECOM NZ Limited for the delivery of TAR 15/15 - *Investigation of New Zealand's technical readiness to support the deployment of automated and connected vehicles*
- Item 3 above: Research Agreement between the NZ Transport Agency and the Trips Database Bureau for the delivery of TAR 15/17 - *The assessment of the effects of small scale development proposals on the transportation network*
- Item 4 above: Research Agreement between the NZ Transport Agency and the University of Waikato for the delivery of TAR 15/16 - *Best practice approaches for the development of legislation*

- Item 7 above: Research Agreement between the NZ Transport Agency and Monash University for the delivery of TAR 15/19 – *Role of substance impaired driving on medical review processes*.

Certain information has been withheld under sections 9(2)(a), 9(2)(b)(ii) and/or 9(2)(ba) of the Official Information Act 1982.

Section 9(2)(a) allows for the withholding of information ‘...to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons’. In relation to your request, this information relates to the personal information and names of the individuals involved in the research (by redaction).

Section 9(2)(b)(ii) allows for the withholding of information ‘... where the making available of the information – ... (ii) would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information’. In relation to your request, this information is the details of the methodology and approach to the research, milestone pricing schedule and/or other financial information included in the research agreement (by redaction).

Section 9(2)(ba) allows for the withholding of information to ‘... protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence ... where the making available of the information – ... (i) would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied; or (ii) would be likely otherwise to damage the public interest’. In relation to your request, this is information regarding potential commercial relationship(s) outside the scope of the contract.

With respect to the information that has been withheld, I do not consider there are any other factors which would render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

Under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, you have the right to apply to an Ombudsman for an investigation and review of the decision to withhold this information.

Our decision to release this information to you does not represent our approval for you to publish the information, as set out in section 48(2) of the Act. We are supplying the documents to your email address previously provided for your earlier request to us for another contract.

If you would like to discuss this reply or any future information requests of this nature with the NZ Transport Agency, please contact Patricia McAloon, Manager National Programmes, by email to patricia.mcaloon@nzta.govt.nz or by phone on (04) 894 6221.

Yours sincerely



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