

23 May 2016

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Dear Mr Lawson

Official Information Act 1982 – Notification of Time Extension

Thank you for your request, seeking information on the following matter from 22 April 2016. Our response in due course will be provided on the following:

Requested was part of my complaint concerning the non release of information to me including, but not limited to my requests for Dr Thakuradus and Janet Milnes written statements as defined within the referred correspondence. The only reason that I am still requesting this information 16 months latter is because ACC have breached their obligations to me under the OIA Act 1982, through not having already provided this information to me in response to any one, or number of my previous requests noted above to ACC.

I also pointed out to Mr Holmes; "The legal concept of equity applies in this situation in that ACC's original inappropriate responses to not arrange the written statements from Dr Thakurdas, and Janet Milne, should not place ACC in a subsequent position of power over me, and or the limiting of my rights to have this information provided. "

My letter of 12 March 2016, drew Mr Holmes that the significance of this information is of substantive relevance and importance to me to help me understand Dr Peter Thakaurdas and Janet Milne's rational behind the concerns discussed and decisions that followed. Mr Holmes is also aware that I am seeking this information for the purposes of once received preparing review submissions in matters relating to the review of several of ACC's decisions.

My request for Mr Holmes reconsideration and release of the information I requested, and provided the substantive and valid reasons why the information should be released to me under section 23 of the Official Information Act 1982, was made now 28 working days ago, without a response being provided to me by Mr Paul Holmes nor ACC.

I am therefore requesting that ACC remedy the current non provision of this information and satisfy ACC's obligations to me under section 23 of the Official Information Act 1982 and provide the information as requested, and further that urgency is applied to my request in this instance and the information is released to me to me with in the next 5 working days.

Due to the need for consultation in relation to your various questions, we need additional time to complete our response. Accordingly, ACC has extended the date for response to 3 June 2016. This extension complies with Section 15A of the Official Information Act 1982.

If you have any questions about this extension please contact us at GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz.

If you are still not happy, you may make a complaint to the Office of the Ombudsman. You can call them on 0800 802 602, 9am to 5pm weekdays, or write to: The Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10 152, WELLINGTON 6143.

Yours sincerely

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