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04 APR 2018

Gary Stephenson
c/- FYI Website

Dear Gary Stephenson,

EXTENSION OF TIME TO ANSWER OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST

I refer to your official information request on 5 March 2018 relating to an application to register the RHDV1 virus under the ACVM Act.

The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) will not be able to respond within the timeframe set out in the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) because your request necessitates a search through a large quantity of information and meeting the normal 20 working day time limit would unreasonably interfere with the operations of the MPI.

MPI will reply to your request by no later than 10 May 2018, earlier if possible.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to extend the time limit for responding to your request.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Allan Kinsella'.

Allan Kinsella
Director, Systems Audit, Assurance and Monitoring