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16 November 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

Re: Official Information Act request – Media Queries

Thank you for your email of 21 October in which you requested information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). You requested:

Any communications between 1 September 2022 and 19 October 2022:

- 1. Between your chief executive or other executive manager and your communications/media staff regarding how media queries are dealt with.*
- 2. From the office of your relevant minister regarding how media queries are dealt with.*

Please note this is a request for the entirety of any communications captured, not just any parts deemed "in scope".

If there have been oral discussions that have not been documented, please briefly summarise what was said, and by whom.

EECA's OIA team has reviewed internal communications and discussed your request with all relevant staff. Based on these discussions we have found no content within scope of your request. We are therefore refusing your request under section 18(e) of the OIA as the information you are seeking does not exist.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request will be published shortly at <https://www.eeca.govt.nz/about/news-and-corporate/official-information/> with your personal information removed.

Yours sincerely



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