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Tēnā koe Micky

Your Official Information Act request of 22 July 2022 – OIA 2223-0090

I refer to your email of 22 July 2022 to Hon Nanaia Mahuta, Minister for Local Government, requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- 1. How Three Waters will be funded*
- 2. Evidence of 'Operational Efficiencies' for each proposed Three Waters entity (detailed 30 year forecast for each entity)*
- 3. Evidence of how the areas you have chosen to include in each entity create 'Operational Efficiencies'*
(particularly how having Entity C split between the two islands would achieve lower costs)
- 4. Actual detailed cost forecasts for each individual city council over 30 years without Three Waters reforms*

On the 2 August 2022, your request was transferred to the Department of Internal Affairs (the Department).

The Department is extending the time available to respond to your request under section 15A(1)(b) of the Act, as consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

The timeframe for response has been extended by 20 working days to 27 September 2022. The Department will endeavour to provide you with a response prior to this date, if possible.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of our decision by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

Rashad Saeedi
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