OIA22-0713

30 September 2022

Christine Woods fyi-request-20443-8425483e@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Christine Woods

Thank you for your email of 2 September 2022 requesting information relating to testing of food products for agricultural herbicides and pesticides.

The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) will not be able to respond within the timeframe set out in the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) pursuant to Section 15A(1)(a) as 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 MPI.

MPI will reply to your request by no later than 28 October, earlier if possible.

Should you have any concerns with this extension, I would encourage you to raise these with the Ministry for Primary Industries at Official.InformationAct@mpi.govt.nz. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143 or at info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely

Michelle Morehu

Director Government Services

Malu