

Official Information Act Request

Requester's details

Date: 25 August 2021

Name: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Reference number: ENQ-42209-C9Z0W7

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request, which we received on 28 July 2021, for the following information:

“Copies of all legal opinions/reports/analysis on growing genetically engineered low nicotine tobacco under the current Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996.”

We have sent two emails asking you to clarify your request. As you have not responded we have not been able to narrow the scope of your request. I am therefore refusing your request under section 18(f) of the Official Information Act (the OIA), as the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. You can contact the Ombudsman on 0800 802 602, or by email at:

info@ombudsman.parliament.nz

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us via:

ministerials@epa.govt.nz

We may publish your request and our response on our website, www.epa.govt.nz. We make OIA responses available so others can read more about the work we do and the questions we are asked. Any information that might identify you will be removed to protect your privacy.

Yours sincerely



Dr Allan Freeth

Chief Executive