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Official Information Act Request

Dear Ms Roden

I refer to your request received by the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) on 1 July 2019, for the following information:

Details of any payments made to social media "influencers" by the department in return for posts (no date limit). Please include the details of the influencer, the platform, cost of the post, topic and date.

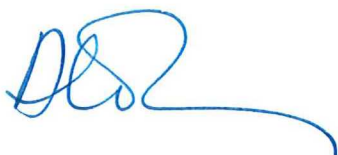
Your request has been treated as a request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

The EPA has never made any payments to social media "influencers". I am refusing your request under section 18(e) of the OIA, as the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of this decision by the Ombudsman. 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.

Yours sincerely



Dr Allan Freeth
Chief Executive
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