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Dear s 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email of 29 May 2019 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- 1) *Any briefings or Cabinet Papers sent between the Transition Hub and the Just Transition Unit at MBIE dated 2018, 2019;*
- 2) *Any briefings or Cabinet Papers prepared by the Transition Hub for Ministers and other Government departments dated 2018, 2019*

We understand you have also requested this information from the Just Transitions Unit at the Ministry for Business, Innovation and Employment. We have accepted a partial transfer of that request, to cover any Cabinet Papers and briefings that were prepared by the Transition Hub. This is within scope of part 1 of this request.

The Ministry for the Environment has identified 37 documents in scope of your request, as listed in the attached table. Some information within these documents has been withheld or refused under the following sections of the Act:

- 9(2)(a) to protect the natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons
- 9(2)(b)(ii) to protect information where the making available of information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is subject to the information
- 9(2)(f)(iv) to maintain the confidentiality of advice tendered to Ministers of the Crown and officials
- 18(d) that the information requested is or will soon be publically available

Where information has been refused under section 18(d) links to where you will be able to find these documents have been provided.


Under section 9(1) of the Act, I am satisfied that, in the circumstances, the withholding of this information is not outweighed by other considerations that render it desirable to make the information available in the public interest.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decision to withhold information relating to this request, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on their website at: [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Please note that due to the public interest in our work the Ministry for the Environment publishes responses to requests for official information on our website on our [OIA responses page](#) shortly after the response has been sent.

If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Executive Relations team.

Yours sincerely



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Director, Climate Change

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the Official Information Act 1982

### List of documents

Document no.	Document date	Content	Decisions	OIA sections applied	Other details
1	16 February 2018	18-B-04303 NZ Downstream Energy Conference, 14 March 2018	Release in full		
2	23 March 2018	18-B-04426 Climate Change Hons' Meeting – agenda and supporting information	Release in full		
3	27 April 2018	18-B-04531 Meeting Briefing Contact Energy – 2 May 2018	Release in full		
4	4 May 2018	18-B-04541 Slide pack on the initial results of economic modelling for draft Zero Carbon Bill discussion document	Release in full		Draft slide pack not attached as final slide pack is released as part of document 6.
5	23 May 2018	18-B-04629 Talking Points for Simpson Grierson Event 29 May 2018	Release in full		
6	15 June 2019	18-B-04677 Presentation to media on Zero Carbon Bill Economic Analysis. Overview of modelling and research findings	Release in full		
7	18 June 2018	18-B-04687 Meeting with Fonterra, Roadmap to Transition to a Low Emissions Future	Release in part	9(2)(b)(ii)	Appendices publicly available here: <a href="#">Fonterra Roadmap</a>
8	19 June 2018	18-B-04759 Festival of the Future talking points	Release in full		



9	22 June 2018	18-B-04688 Talking Points for Trans-Tasman Business circle event	Release in full		
10	28 June 2018	18-B-04709 Meeting with Petroleum Exploration and Production Association of New Zealand (PEPANZ) on Monday July 2 2018	Release in full		
11	29 August 2018	18-B-04774 Meeting with Major Electricity User Group, Thursday 7 September	Release in full		
12	31 August 2018	18-B-04789 Release of the Productivity Commission's Draft Report on the Low Emissions Economy	Release in full		
13	5 September 2018	18-B-04875 Release of 'social good co-benefits of electrifying process heat' report	Release in full		
14	21 September 2018	18-B-04928 Summary of economic impacts	Release in full		
15	27 September 2018	18-B-04958 Summary of economic impacts - update	Release in full		
16	3 October 2018	18-B-04900 Release of 'Reducing barriers to electric vehicle uptake'	Release in part	s9(2)(a)	Appendices publicly available at: <a href="#">MfE Publications</a>
17	10 October 2018	18-B-05017 Sustainable Business Network Speech notes	Release in part	s9(2)(a)	
18	18 October 2018	18-B-05029 Zero Carbon Bill: Peer review of second stage NZIER modelling	Release in part	s9(2)(a)	Appendices publicly available at:

					<a href="https://www.mfe.govt.nz/climate-change/climate-change-and-government/economic-modelling">https://www.mfe.govt.nz/climate-change/climate-change-and-government/economic-modelling</a>
19	1 November 2018	18-B-05045 Update on the Response to the Productivity Commission's Final Report on a Low Emissions Economy	Release in part	s18(d)	The government's response to the Productivity Commission's Low Emissions Economy report will soon be proactively released on our website. You will be able to find it here: <a href="#">MfE Website</a>
20	14 February 2019	19-B-05222 Aide Memoire: Building System Legislative Reform Programme	Release in part	s9(2)(a)	
21	14 February 2019	19-B-05298 Government's low emissions transformation strategy and Productivity Commission response	Release in part	s9(2)(a) s18(d)	The government's response to the Productivity Commission's Low Emissions Economy report will soon be proactively released on our website. You will be able to find it here: <a href="#">MfE Website</a>
22	21 February 2019	19-B-05320 Speech notes for Southern Hemisphere Launch of WHO International Housing and Health Guidelines	Release in part	s9(2)(a)	
23	28 February 2019	Aide Memoire: Infrastructure Commission – further policy recommendations	Release in part	s9(2)(a)	
24	7 March 2019	19-B-05390 Update from Transition Hub	Release in full		
25	14 March 2019	19-B-05405 Auckland Climate Symposium – Talking Points	Release in full		

26	28 March 2019	19-B-05457 Briefing for Bilaterals with Ministers Twyford and Woods – Government Response to the Productivity Commission	Release in part (release briefing note and withhold appendix 1)	s9(2)(f)(iv)	
27	28 March 2019	19-B-05458 Briefing for Oral Item at ENV – Government Response to the Productivity Commission	Release in part (release briefing note and withhold appendix 1)	s9(2)(f)(iv)	
28	4 April 2019	19-B-05456 Green Property Summit 2019 Speech Notes	Release in full		
29	6 May 2019	19-B-05571 Talking points on the economic analysis supporting the Zero Carbon Amendment Bill	Release in full		
30	16 May 2019	19-B-05591 Briefing for Bilateral with Minister Sage – Productivity Commissions Low Emissions Economy	Release in part (release briefing note and refuse appendix 1)	s18(d)	The government's response to the Productivity Commission's Low Emissions Economy report will soon be proactively released on our website. You will be able to find it here: <a href="#">MfE Website</a>
31	16 May 2019	19-B-05614 Transition to a low emissions economy: The Government's Response to the Productivity Commission's Low Emissions Economy	Release in part (release briefing note and refuse appendix 1)	s9(2)(a)  s18(d)	The government's response to the Productivity Commission's Low Emissions Economy report will soon be proactively released on our website. You will be able to find it here: <a href="#">MfE Website</a>
32	8 November 2018	18-B-05086 Next steps on the Climate Implications of Policy Assessment	Withhold in full	s9(2)(f)(iv)	

33	15 February 2019	19-B-05303 Meeting to discuss Climate Policy Impact Assessments	Withhold in full	s9(2)(f)(iv)	
34	4 March 2019	Productivity Commission Response – Briefing for Bilateral with Minister Jones	Withhold in full	s9(2)(f)(iv)	
35	12 March 2019	19-B-05361 Climate Implications of Policy Assessment: A way forward	Withhold in full	s9(2)(f)(iv)	
36	6 May 2019	19-C-05495 Driving the transition to a climate resilient low emissions economy	Refuse request	s18(d)	This Cabinet paper will soon be proactively released. You will be able to find it here: <a href="#">MfE Website</a>
37	22 May 2019	19-B-05588 Introducing the Climate Implications of Policy Assessment – draft Cabinet paper for 27 June 2019	Withhold in full	s9(2)(f)(iv)	

Note: due to file size, email [ministerials@mfe.govt.nz](mailto:ministerials@mfe.govt.nz) for copies of the documents released