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s 9(2)(a)

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Dear s 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email of 24 February 2020 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*Financial statement for MFE for 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019*

*Could I please have a link or copy of the financial statements for these years.*

*I was not able to obtain these online like previous statements.*

Your request is refused under section 18(d) of the Act, as the information you have requested is publicly available. The following documents on the Ministry website contain the financial statements you have requested:

<https://www.mfe.govt.nz/publications/about-us/ministry-environment-annual-report-2019>

<https://www.mfe.govt.nz/publications/about-us/ministry-environment-annual-report-2018>

<https://www.mfe.govt.nz/publications/about-us/statement-of-intent-2017-2021-and-annual-report-201617>

<https://www.mfe.govt.nz/publications/data/ministry-environment-annual-report-2016>

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 [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: [ministerials@mfe.govt.nz](mailto:ministerials@mfe.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely



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