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Dear s 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email of 29 October to the Reserve Bank of New Zealand requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*I request a PDF copy of any information you have on the cost of global warming as a percentage of GDP of New Zealand, New Zealand and Australia, and any other countries or groups of countries or regions you have to hand as well and globally too.*

As the information you have requested relates to the functions of the Ministry for the Environment (the Ministry), your request was transferred to us on 3 November 2020.

On 3 November 2020, the Ministry contacted you to clarify and refine the scope of your request, in particular about the cost of global warming. Further contact was made on 9 November 2020 to confirm your clarification. As we received no response, we conducted a document search based on your original request.

16,000 emails, 21,213 PDFs and 12485 Word documents were found to be potentially within scope of your request, when the search was limited to documents created over the last two years.

Due to the potential volume in scope of your request, the Ministry is refusing your request under section 18(f) of the Act, that the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

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 publishes responses to requests for official information on our [OIA responses page](#) shortly after the response has been sent.

Should you wish to make a more targeted request, or if you have any queries please feel free to contact our Ministerial Services team: [ministerials@mfe.govt.nz](mailto:ministerials@mfe.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely



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