Ministry for the Environment
Manatū Mō Te Taiao

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Tēnā koe 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email of 25 September 2025 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) of the Ministry for the Environment (the Ministry):

A copy of all letters of expectation sent to the Ministry by Ministers since Nov 2023.

Letters of expectation are typically sent from Ministers to Crown Entities, and not to Ministries. The Ministry has not received any letters of expectation from Ministers since November 2023. For this reason, I am refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Act because the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decisions relating to this request, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Please note that due to the public interest in our work, the Ministry publishes responses to requests for official information shortly after the response has been sent on our website at: https://environment.govt.nz/about-us/official-information-act-requests/. If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Ministerial Services team at: ministerials@mfe.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā,

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