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Thank you for your email of 27 June 2024 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Could I please request, under the Official Information Act, the MFE review of MBIE's modelling and emissions estimates in relation to the changes to the Crown Minerals Act.

"The Ministry for Business, Innovation, and Employment provided the Ministry for the Environment (MfE) with estimates of the emissions impact of repealing the offshore ban on gas exploration. MfE reviewed their modelling and emissions estimates, concluding that the modelling followed good practice and used reasonable assumptions."

The Ministry for the Environment (the Ministry) has identified the following document in scope of your request:

'CIPA disclosure sheet for offshore repeal Gas only'

The Ministry is refusing this document under section 18(d) of the Act, as it is publicly available. You can access this information on the Ministry for Business, Innovation and Employment's website here: mbie.govt.nz/dmsdocument/28879-climate-implications-of-policy-assessment-disclosure-sheet-proactiverelease-pdf.

For more information on how the CIPA (Climate Implications of Policy Assessment) review process is conducted, please refer to the CIPA guide here: [Climate implications of policy assessment guide | Ministry for the Environment](#).

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.

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. If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Ministerial Services team: ministerials@mfe.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā,

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