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Dear [redacted]

Response to your request for official information

I refer to your request of 16 November 2018 to the Ministry of Health (the Ministry) made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) for:

> *Thank you for your reply on 29 October to the request that I previously made under the Official Information Act for information, relating to the safety of 5G telecoms technology (with relation to human health and the environment). It is attached for your convenience.*
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> *Below are some follow up questions that I would like answered under the Official Information Act:*
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> 1. *Please supply a copy of the Minutes of the August 2018 meeting of the Interagency Committee on the Health Effects of Non Ionising Fields.*
> 2. *Please supply a copy of Appendix A and Section 5 of the Interagency Report to Ministers (referenced in the table on Page 5 of Appendix One).*
> 3. *Please supply section 4.2.2 and Appendix B of the Interagency Report to Ministers (referenced in the table of Page 5 of Appendix One).*
> 4. *Please supply a list of names of the Ministers and/or other government officials to whom Appendix One has been supplied.*

Information relating to your request is as follows:

1. *Please supply a copy of the Minutes of the August 2018 meeting of the Interagency Committee on the Health Effects of Non Ionising Fields.*

The minutes requested are withheld in full under section 9(2)(g)(i) of the Act, as these are still in draft and have not yet been ratified. It is expected that these minutes will be finalised at the February 2019 meeting.

2. *Please supply a copy of Appendix A and Section 5 of the Interagency Report to Ministers (referenced in the table on Page 5 of Appendix One).*

This aspect of your request is refused under section 18(d) of the Act as this information is publicly available.

The report to the Minister of Health (and other Ministers) by the Interagency Committee on the Health Effects of Non-Ionising Fields is publicly available on the Ministry website at the following address:

https://www.health.govt.nz/publication/interagency-committee-health-effects-non-ionising-fields-report-ministers-2018

3. *Please supply section 4.2.2 and Appendix B of the Interagency Report to Ministers (referenced in the table of Page 5 of Appendix One).*

Please refer response to question two above.

4. *Please supply a list of names of the Ministers and/or other government officials to whom Appendix One has been supplied.*

The report referenced in response to question two, is prepared for Ministers of Health, Environment and Business, Innovation and Employment. Copies of meeting notes are also provided to the Director-General of Health and the Chief Executives of the Ministry for the Environment and the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment.

Please note that the response to your request may be published on the Ministry of Health website.

Yours sincerely

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