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Dear Bernard

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 9 April 2018 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- A copy of work done by NZTA on a light rail route from the Auckland CBD to West Auckland, in particular the route from Wynyard Quarter to the north-western motorway.
- A copy of reports and correspondence from NZTA to the Minister of Transport, Phil Twyford, or his
 office on the light rail route from the Auckland CBD to West Auckland and any responses from the
 minister to NZTA.

The following two documents fall within the scope of your request.

1. Rapid Transit in Auckland (BRI-1133), 1 November 2017.

This document is attached as Attachment 1 with the following redactions:

- DDI and mobile phone numbers have been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act to protect the privacy of natural persons.
- Some information on page 5 of the briefing has been withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) to maintain the current constitutional conventions protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials, and under section 9(2)(j) to enable a Minister of the Crown or any department or organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations.
- Information on pages 7–10 has been withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) to maintain the current constitutional conventions protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials.
- 2. NZ Transport Agency Draft Rapid Transit Network Delivery Plan, 12 December 2017. This report has been withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) to maintain the current constitutional conventions protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials.

With respect to the information that has been withheld, I do not consider there are any other factors which would render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman about some information that was withheld under this request. More information about the Ombudsman is available online at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

If you would like to discuss this reply with the NZ Transport Agency, please contact Darryl Walker, Media Manager, by email to darryl.walker@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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