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To whom it may concern

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 18 March 2021 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I would like to request detailed information about the causes of vehicular accidents in NZ, specifically more in-depth details on the "vehicle factors". I am interested to know the data on how many vehicle accidents attribute the cause to mechanical failures (engine and/or suspension related) and electrical failures (lighting related failures). I have downloaded the CAS data, but it does not contain this kind of information. The data format can be the accident code + description based on the Ministry of Transport document "causative and contributory factors", or it can be natural language text as written down by the emergency or police on-site in their accident report. The format requested is either CSV or XLSX.

The information you have requested is provided to you in the attached spreadsheet:

- OIA-7899.xlsx.

The data in the spreadsheet should be read in conjunction with the caveats on the first page of the spreadsheet.

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, please contact Kerry Greig, Manager Data Services, by email at kerry.greig@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



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